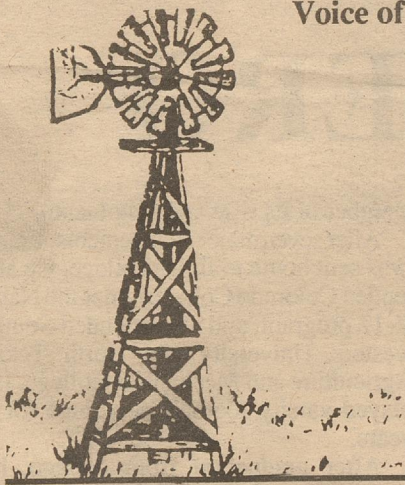


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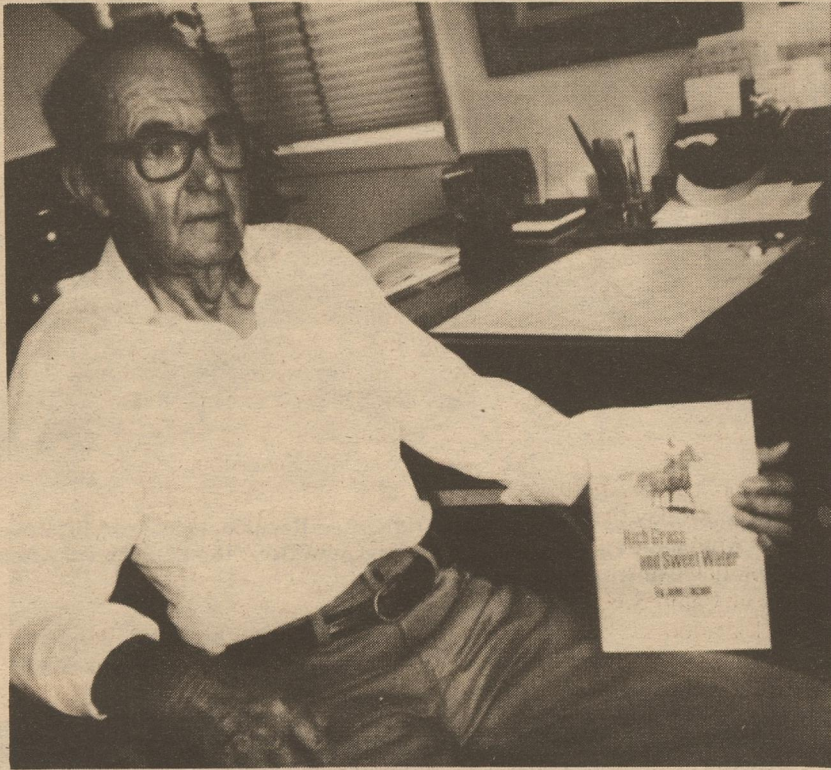
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66th Annual Old Settlers Reunion

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John Lincoln's Rich Grass And Sweet Water Available Soon

Ranch Life With The Koch Matador Cattle Company



John Lincoln with a copy of his book, Rich Grass And Sweet Water.

by Michelle Bearden

When John Lincoln began as a bookkeeper for Koch Industries of Wichita, Ks., in 1968, it must have seemed to interested on-lookers, that the independent cattle buyer had stepped down in the fortunes of life. But, Lincoln knew an opportunity when he saw one. He also could see that this company was unique, and that his life with it would be challenging and enthralling. He began, early in his career, to fill spiral notebooks with varying experiences and anecdotes that have recently been compiled in a book called RICH GRASS AND SWEET WATER.

Although Koch Industries, under the auspices of Fred Koch, purchased the Matador Ranch in 1952, along with ranches in Montana, Kansas, Texas and Wyoming with leased ranches in New Mexico and Nevada, and South Dakota, it wasn't until Koch's oldest son Charles, took the helm in 1967 that ranch management became re-focused toward strin-

gent business practices to assure profitability, a view the old Scottish Syndicate who began the Matador Ranch in 1881 would have heartily applauded.

Lincoln notes, in the book, that return on investments have historically been low in ranching primarily because owners preferred the lifestyle above all else, being content with a 2% return on investment when 10% would have been minimally acceptable in another business. However, Charles Koch's prime focus was always profitability, which he instilled in ranch managers.

While profit plans and goal oriented management principles became the byword for all ranch managers, Koch industries also began looking at the men who worked on the ranches as cowboys. Seeing married men with families as being more stable than the old-time drifting cowboys, Koch provided housing and an attractive benefit program more in tune with the needs of the modern family.

Working to establish a stable group of cowboys, the company emphasized reliability.

Still, a man who chooses the life of a cowboy, be it 1980 or 1880, valued the independence and lifestyle above all else. It took a special breed of man who cherished that life, who enjoyed being a part of nature and one who placed the life above the number of dollars that could be made in another job. This was true of yesterday's cowboys as well as today's, some who armed with college degrees.

John Lincoln relates that the one prevailing thread between all the old cowboys he met through the years, was that the time they worked for the Matador Ranch was the best time of their lives. One particular old cowboy in his 80's sat down beside Lincoln at an airport, and though he had no idea Lincoln was general manager of the Matador Ranch, the first thing the old fellow had to offer in conversation was, "I was a Matador cowboy." It had probably been fifty years since that experience, but it obviously was one he treasured the most, one he had great pride in.

Though the Scottish Syndicate of old Matador Ranch fame held a similar belief in business oriented practices and insisted on Profitability, the old-time cowboys had no exposure to the business end. As a rule, only the ranch superintendent and the bookkeeper were involved in the business aspects of running the ranch.

Charles Koch formed an image of a ranch manager who held two principle attributes: he was hardworking and a good supervisor of livestock, the grass and the men. With this idea in mind, he also looked for a man who was not only willing to learn, such things as profit planning, but also one with the ability to learn. Too, Koch Industries was seeking a modest, unpretentious man. One such successful manager of many years is Jim Cross, currently of the Lucky Knob Division near Northfield, Tx. But all managers for the Matador Ranch throughout the western United States shared

these characteristics or they would have had no opportunity to be a ranch manager.

In RICH GRASS AND SWEET WATER, John Lincoln provides his own unique birds-eye view of ranching of today in corporate America. Each ranch of the Matador Land and Cattle Co. has a chapter of its own as Lincoln uses the lives of employees to illustrate ranch life and Koch Industries effect on ranching.

Scheduled to be on booksellers shelves by September 1, 1989, RICH GRASS AND SWEET WATER, by John Lincoln, Ranch Life with the Koch Matador Cattle Co., published by Texas A&M University Press will be presented at an autograph session September 16 at the Ranching Heritage Center in Lubbock, Tx.

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MOTLEY COUNTY CONFEDERATE VETERANS

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*Anderson, Hugh Stewart
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 29 June 1836 d. 1 Feb. 1915
m. Mary E. b. 9 Mar 1851 d. 3 Jul 1928
Pension Application Approved, H.S. Anderson, #03093, Motley Co., Bk. 1
Pension Application Rejected, Mrs. H.S. Anderson, Motley Co.
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey No. 860 U.V.C., Matador

*Anderson, Lee

*Ashford, Montgomery Paton

Northfield Cemetery
b. 12 June 1845 d. 24 Mar 1927
Reserve Troops of Missouri
Pension Application Rejected, Montgomery P. Ashford, Tarrant Co.
Pension Application Rejected, Mrs. M.P. Ashford, Motley Co.

Bain
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey No. 860 U.V.C., Matador

*Brackeen, Allen Hill
Pension Application Approved, #51627, Lucy Jane Brackeen, Motley Co., Bk. 7

Calloway, E.J.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 22 Mar 1845 d. 22 May 1916
Pension Application Approved, #21674, E.J. Calloway, McLennan Co., Bk. 3

*Cammack, Thomas Newton
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 7 Jun 1837, Ala. d. 25 Sep 1919
m. Izora Vashti McKinney d. 30 Jan 1908
Capt. L.C. Roundtree's Co., Bates Reg. of Volunteers 3rd Corp.

Bates Regiment, Co. I
Sgt.
Brown's Reg. of Texas Cavalry, Co. I Jr. 2nd Lt.

Member of Camp S.B. Maxey, No. 860 U.V.C., Matador

*Campbell, John McLean
Matador East Mound Cemetery (no dates)
CSA marker
b. 22 Nov. 1834 d. 6 May 1905 (Texas State Archives) or 1914 (Family)
m. 5 May 1868 Mary Woodburn
Co. E. Reg. XB, Cavalry; DeBray's Reg., Texas Cav., Co. E.
Pension Application Approved, #11058, J.M. Campbell, Motley Co., Bk. 1
Pension Application Rejected, J.M. Campbell, Motley Co.
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[[Resident of County, buried elsewhere]]
*Campbell, Henry Harrison
Ennis, Ellis County
b. 24 Oct. 1852 (Texas State Archives) OR 13 Aug 1840 (family)
d. 25 May 1911
m. 1 Nov 1871 Elizabeth Bundy
Co. D, 20th Tex. Vol. Cav. Navarro Co.
Private
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey No. 860 U.V.C., Matador

Clendennen, James E.
Flomot Cemetery
b. 1839 d. 1920
m. Lydia b. 1845 d. 1912 Flo-
mot Cemetery

*Copeland, William M.
Pension Application Approved, #18697, W.M. Copeland, Motley Co. Bk. 2

*Cornett, J.E. (aka J.T. or "Pat")
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker: Deo Vindice 1861-1865
b. Ga. d.
Co. D 6th Ga. Cavalry, Iverson's Brigade, Adams Div. & Wheeler's Corps.
Surrendered May 3, 1865; Paroled May 3, 1865
Private
Pension Application Approved, #26070, J.T. Cornett, Motley Co., Bk. 3

*Cox, John H.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 30 Jul 1836 d. 13 Apr 1926
m. Martha E. Cox b. 1850 d. 1945

14 BN Mississippi, Lt. Artillery
Private

*Cribbs, P.A. (aka Philander or Phylander)
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 27 June 1836 d. 6 March 1927
m. Nannie McShann b. 4 Sept 1840 d. 4 Jan 1916
Co. K 20th Ala. Reg. Vol; 12th Ky. Cav.; Infantry
2nd Lt.
Pension Application Approved, #03094, P.A. Cribbs, Motley Co., Bk. 1
Pension Application Rejected, P.A. Cribbs, Motley Co.
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey No. 860 U.V.C., Matador

Damron, Moses
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 17 Apr 1821 d. 4 Aug 1910
m. Julia
m. Salitha A. Raines b. 28 Aug 1844 d. 14 Aug 1923
First Fronter, Jack County

*Denny, W.A. (aka William Hays, William Horace)
Northfield Cemetery
b. 28 Apr 1840 Fayetteville, Ark. d. 17 Mar 1905
m. Eliza C. Hoge b. 14 Oct 1826 d. 28 Jun 1930
Sgt.
Pension Application Approved, #26183, Mrs. E.C. Denny, Motley Co., Bk. 3

Echols, Robert Petty
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker

b. Elizabeth Varner

Evans, J.F.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 3 Mar 1847 d. 2 Nov 1915
m. Mary A. b. 17 May 1844 d. 28 Dec 1903

*Gerald, Samuel A.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 5 Sep 1845 d. 1 Jan 1931

Co. 14, Louisiana Infantry
Pension Application Approved, #42447, S.A. Gerald, Motley Co., Bk. 4

*Gibson, P.L.
Pension Application Approved, #46109, P.L. Gibson, Motley Co., Bk. 6
Pension Application Rejected, P.L. Gibson, Motley Co.
Greathouse, Ridge
Matador East Mound Cemetery
cemetery marker, no name
Blockade runner, Federal prisoner of war

*Groves, Noble
b. 1 Dec 1835 d. 15 May 1915
m. Fannie Ann Bass b. 1850 d. 1925
15th Arkansas Infantry
Pvt.
Pension Application Approved, #06938, Nobel Groves, Limestone Co., Bk. 1
Hall, John
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 28 Jan 1831 d. 2 May 1903
m. Nancy Elizabeth b. 1 June 1840 d. 13 Apr 1925

*Hamilton, John Washington
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 11 Dec 1841, Ga. d. 30 April 1926
m. 3 July 1867 Ellen Echols b. 8 Nov 1850 d. 3 July 1908, typhoid
A.P. Hills Rebel Div., with Gen. Stonewall Jackson at Manassas
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey No. 860 U.V.C., Matador

Harris, H.H. Dr.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 27 May 1833 d. 5 May 1902
m. (Mrs. H.H. Harris) b. 24 Nov 1840 d. 27 May 1906

*Herring, Absolum White
Matador East Mound Cemetery
b. 20 Jan 1841 d. 1 Oct 1925
Pension Application Rejected, A.W. Herring, Motley Co.


*Hodges, Soloman G.
Matador East Mound
b. 15 Jan 1850, Tnn. d. 13 Dec 1932
m. 11 Dec 1876, Ark. Mary E. Farmer b. 1860 d. 21 Jul 1934
Pension Application Approved, #51091, Mrs. Mary E. Hodges, Hall Co., Bk. 7
Pension Application Rejected, Soloman G. Hodges, Motley Co.
Pension Application Rejected, Soloman G. Hodges, Motley Co.

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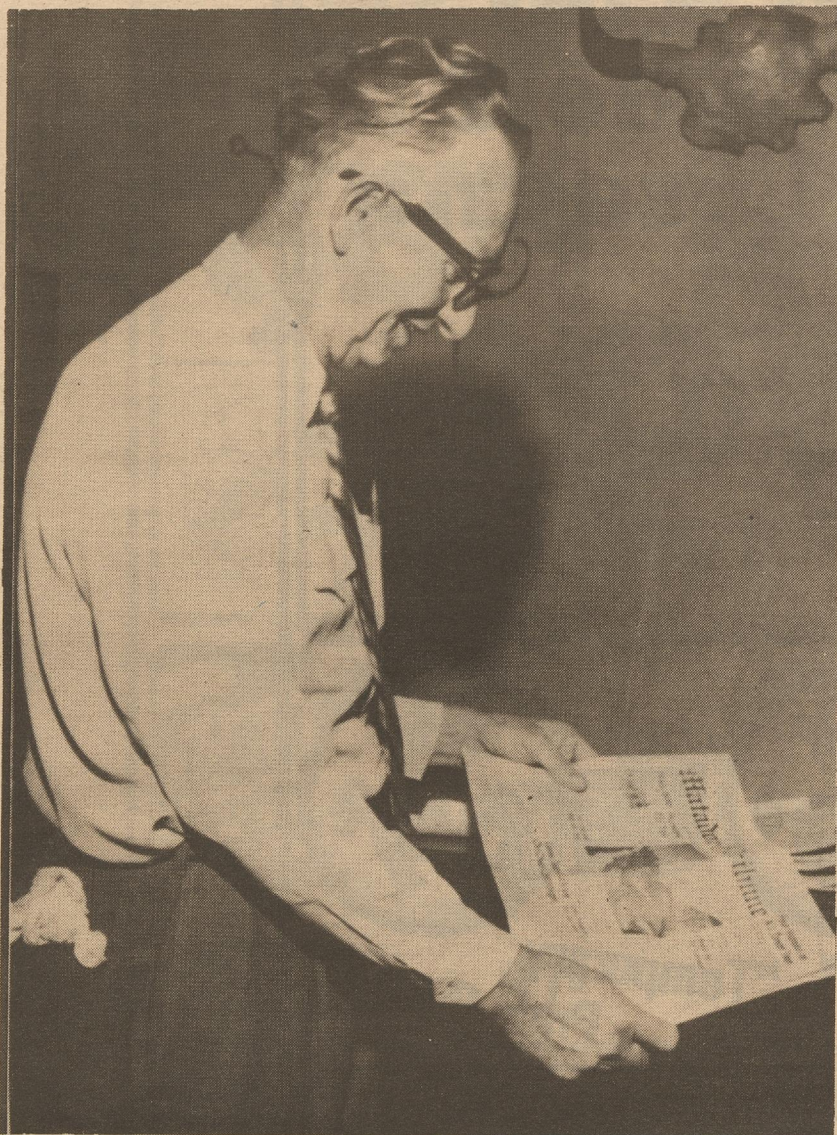
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EDITOR'S NOTE: The following are excerpts from the book TRAIL DUST, written by Douglas Meador, longtime Publisher and Editor of the Matador Tribune, and loved by many.

by Douglas Meador

STRAINS OF A WALTZ

One more gondola freighted with some unknown sorrow moves noiselessly through the waters of humanity's mighty river and is silhouetted for a moment against the fog, to tremble a little and then move away. The girl was young, fragile looking and exceedingly fair. She came into the brightly lighted cafe at an hour when the din and roar of traffic had

subsided into gentle breathing as a noisy child grown weary of playing, when policemen stop to chat and tired waitresses polish the water glasses hopefully. There was no interest or deliberation as

she placed her order. When the plates were being arranged on her table a mechanical phonograph a few paces away began to release the imprisoned dreamy

notes of a popular waltz. She seemed stunned or frightened at first; then tears flooded her eyes and her white delicate

hands quickly clasped her ears as she hurried to the cashier, paying for the untouched meal and running away into the night. Youth, when life is heroic, real and important.

**Welcome
Old Timers**



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Mr. and Mrs. James E. (Jim) Meador and sons, (l-r) Douglas and Joe. Mr. Meador was an early day cook for the Matadors. Photo courtesy of Mrs. Lila Meador.

OUTSIDE LOOKING IN

A little girl with ragged shoes stood looking with hungry eyes, her face pressed against the plate glass store window, at a large smiling doll that leaned against a small table all set with small dishes. Whatever the thoughts may have been that shaped themselves against the canvas of her heart they must have been sharp for her lips trembled just a mite as she turned and walked away. Someone older could have told her, although it would not have helped, that life has many plate glass windows and most of us are ragged little beggars outside.

RUMBLINGS OVER BRIDGES OF DOUBT

There is something about the rumble of a wagon at night that is warming to the heart. To me it is a rejoicing of homecoming that sweeps me back to childhood when evening shadows pulled curtains across the road where I used to watch for the return of my father. There was always the dark wing of fear that soared away when the rattle of chains and the rumble of his wagon could be heard. It was the bridge that carried me over doubt until I could hear his voice.

MY MOTHER TAUGHT ME--

My mother taught me the religion of work and faith in her own cathedral of contentment located within shadows from the stony hills of privation. Smiling she beat the bushes that concealed my fears along the path of my following, because the only fear she has ever known was hidden behind the bulging face of the mantel clock, or in the numbered squares of the calendar, and would wait piteously should one hour be lost to idleness. From the laboratory of her heart I witnessed the alchemy when the sharp blade of circumstance was brought into a golden bar of happiness. Her cool hands have pressed the fever from the cheek and from the canteen of her gentle words I have quenched the thirst for companionship.

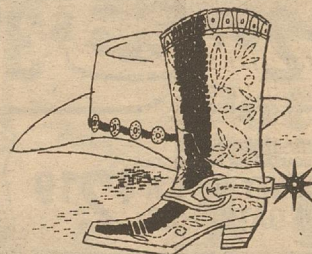
Only the scales of eternity can weigh the hurt behind her tears of our many partings - her pleading embrace - the smoldering heartache of lonely days to adorn the robe of destiny of my queen - my mother.

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Welcome to Roaring Springs

HAVE FUN!



Thacker Supply

ROARING SPRINGS

Trail Dust

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THERE WAS TIME FOR DREAMING

Some of the tenderest memories of my childhood are embellished by the plain dirt walls of the dugout that was my home. The great white cottonwood ridge-log had a feeling of security and protection that was soothing to childish fears. Sometimes it looked like a beam of gold on long winter evenings with the reflection and shadows from the nervous flame of a coal oil lamp. The corn bread was nut-brown and cursty and the blue enamel bowls of sweet milk were filled from the glazed stone jardiniere with never a thought of worry about supply. Life was simple and real and there was time and place for dreaming.

IN MEMORIAM

No monument commemorates the trails blazed by freight-wagon drivers in the conquest of West Texas' vast empire. They who moved progress on painful wheels into the territory of dreamers, asked and received only the satisfaction of service. Their rumbling wagons found the passes through the steep canyons and over divides to the plains and now beside many of the routes of highways and rails, may be found the grassed-over ruts where they traveled, as open graves of the past. Speed in wagons which require no neck-yoke to hitch, has work down the distance.

FRATRICIDE

While standing in the doorway of youth, the red cloak of tragedy first brushed my life. Some of the impressions that remained have continued to haunt my dreams and howl suddenly in the bedded sheep of meditative hours. The youngest of three brothers, sons of a preacher, who were my playmates, shot his older brother when the smouldering fuse of hate reached the magazine of anger in his heart.

Terror-stricken and trembling I stood beside the cot where my dead companion lay and felt the silence upon my shoulders as an invisible demon that had dropped from the skies, and with hairy hands clutched at my throat. There was only the soft rustle of the brave little English mother's skirts as she looked hopefully at the forever closed eyes and hurried to wash away the smallest crimson from the clean holes in his brow. Holding the hand of her youngest, who looked on clear-eyed and silent, she stooped to kiss the cold bleached cheek and whispered, "He is not dead." There were no fears, no sobbing, only a blessed clock that kept on ticking.

Remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth; that he may confirm his covenant which he swore to your fathers, as it is today. Deut. 8:18

Beer Drinkers Have More Fun



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS & PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

OLD SETTLERS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

- 10:00 a.m.: Parade, downtown Roaring Springs.
- 11:00 a.m.: Memorial Service in Tabernacle on Old Settlers Grounds.
- 1:00 p.m.: Business Meeting in Tabernacle on Old Settlers Grounds.
- 1:30 p.m.: Flag Race, ages 6-12; Motley - Dickens Jr. Team Roping; Motley - Dickens Team Roping.
- 2:00 p.m.: Frank Mitchell Memorial Dedication, City Park, downtown Roaring Springs.
- 8:00 p.m.: Rodeo begins.

- 8:30 p.m.: Old Folks Dance with the Midnight Cowboys featuring Weldon Turpin, Fiddler.
- 9:00 p.m.: Young folks dance, Crystal Creek Band.

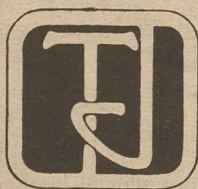
FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

- 11:00 a.m.: Cutting Competition at Rodeo Grounds.
- 8:00 p.m.: Rodeo Begins.
- 8:30 p.m.: Old Folks Dance
- 9:00 p.m.: Young Folks Dance with Jody Nix & The Texas Cowboys.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

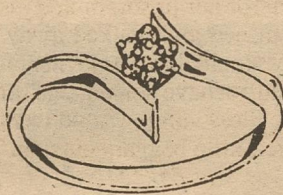
- 10:00 a.m.: Meeting to organize Reunion of Matador Cowboys. All present and past employees invited to attend. Tabernacle on Old Settlers Grounds.
- 12:00 noon: Team Penning Competition at Rodeo Grounds.
- 8:00 p.m.: Rodeo Begins.
- 8:30 p.m.: Old Folks Dance.
- 9:00 p.m.: Young Folks Dance with Jody Nix & The Texas Cowboys.

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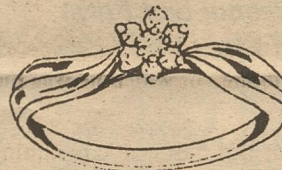


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Trail Dust

by Douglas Meador

TRAINS PASS AT DAWN

With trumpets sounding in my heart I sat on the rear platform of a west bound California Limited one golden morning and watched the stars being covered with splashes of crimson light. The ancient and purple mountains rose out of the horizon on every side and stood majestically as mysterious giants guarding the treasures of the sun. Thick fields of long-cold lava lay as a black monument to the curse of dead centuries. Volcanic ash that had been belched from a teething earth tried to hide under the soft shadows against the mountain-side. Then the peaks became blue and gold as a more lofty range to the south timidly shook off the gossamer grey haze of dawn.

Day was born on the desert as the train roared westward with its cargo of human hopes. Leaping suddenly from around a curve another train going in the opposite direction groaned in the agony of speed. Passengers on the east-bound train must have been met with the heart of barren, lonely places. With fire that seems to come from the bleached mountains instead of the sun and the irritating familiarity of any road back.

Yet through theyears before and since, the two trains and many more have passed each other as flying shuttles weaving a carpet for the finicky feet of the fates.



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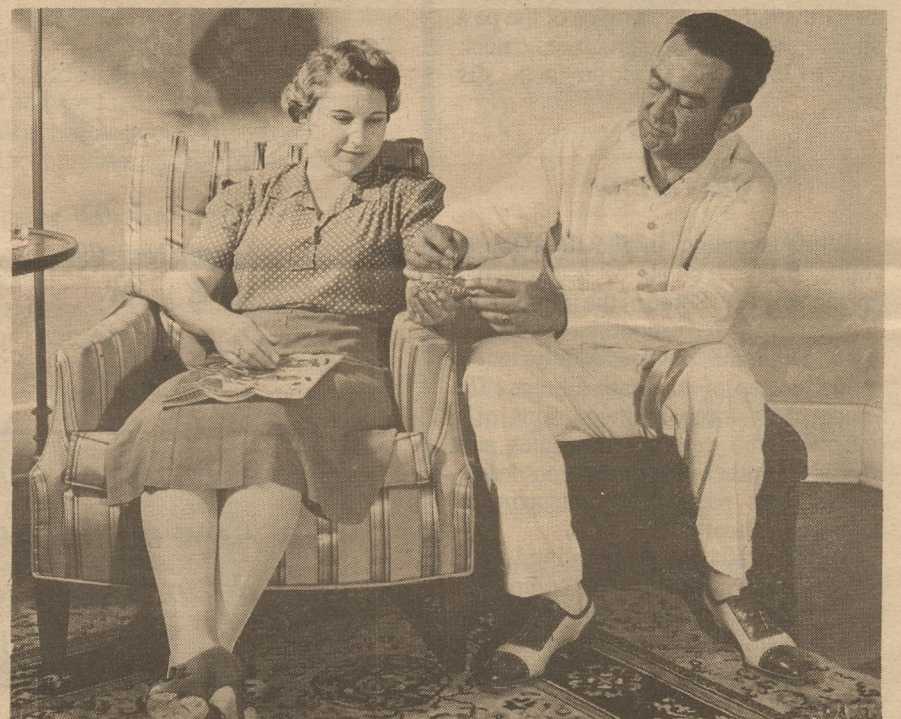
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'Ollie & Birnie'. Ollie Echols, born and reared in Motley County, married David Inglehart Westwood Birnie, a native of Scotland. Mr. Birnie came to Matador to be bookkeeper of the Matador Land & Cattle Co. shortly after WWI. Mrs. Birnie's father came to Motley County in 1890. Photo courtesy of Mary Meason.



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The Matador Railroad

by John K. Green

After the railroad was built into Matador, a red motor car was used for all services from Matador to the junction (where the road tied onto the QA&P line out of Quanah). At that time the area had not been fenced for right-of-ways as most

of the land was owned by the Matador Land & Cattle Co.

In the spring of 1915 the train picked up several box cars that were billed to Motley County. These cars were loaded with bridge steel to be used in building the North Pease River bridge.

As the train was going down grade,

when it went through the Rufe Moore pasture, some of Mr. Moore's cows were crossing the track. One cow was hit by the motor car which caused the motor to derail and plow into the rocky hill. A brakeman was standing on top of one of the box cars when he became air-bourne and it was reported that he only suffered

a broken leg, when he landed.

A wrecking crew came out of the town of Quanah and pulled the wreckage into Matador. A rather exciting day for school kids that lived near the railroad. We, the Duff Greens, were living in the Claude Jeffers house, which was near the railroad.

Roaring Springs Before the Stock Law

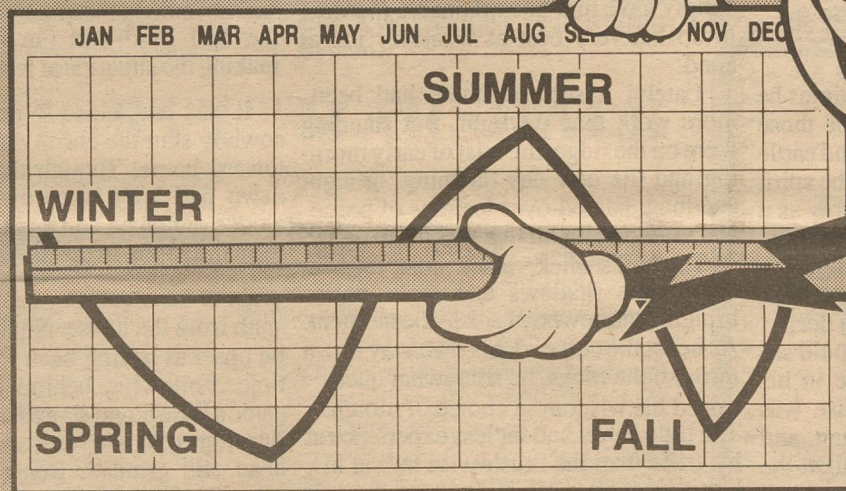
by John K. Green

Before the QA&P railroad line was extended to Floydada, I think about 1918, the end of the line was the Y at the stock pens which were torn down many years ago.

The passenger train pulled two passenger coaches and one express-mail coach. After the passengers disembarked the railroad allowed people to get a free ride up to the Y and return when the train made the switch.

On Sundays especially a lot of people were at the station to see any new citizens that might be coming to town. The young people took advantage of this train ride for it was lot more modern than the buggy ride, cars were very few at this time in Motley County. One Sunday morning when the train was coming into town, after it had whistled for the crossing several head of cattle crossed the track, one two year old bull was too late to get across, so the steam engine gave him a free ride up on the cow catcher to the station. This made it necessary for the station agent to call in the section crew to unload the remains of the bull from the front of the engine. As I remember, some of the ladies, after witnessing the accident, rejected the train ride and went on their way to church.

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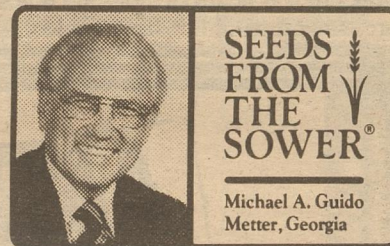
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A little girl was on her knees scowling at a bulldog. Her mother asked, "Why are you making faces at him?"

"Because," she answered, "he started it. I'm just getting even with him."

Has anyone wronged you? Don't prey on him; pray for him. Don't strike back; love back. You're below him if you're not above his wrong.

The Living Bible says, "Never avenge yourselves. Leave that to God. Feed your enemy if he is hungry. If he is thirsty give him something to drink. Don't let evil get the upper hand, but conquer evil by doing good."

Remember, if you throw mud at those who have splattered you, you'll lose ground.



Early day Roaring Springs: H.V. Bigham Grist Mill and Tin Shop; First Moss, "Trouble Finder" - late Moss Lint Cleaner, construction in Bigham Tin Shop, Keahey filling station, Post Office in old J.C. Cooper (Braselton) building in background. (Brick building is still standing on Main Street in Roaring Springs. Photo courtesy of Freda Keahey.



Howard Hamilton setting type at an old Linotype. He was in partnership with Doug Meador for the Matador Tribune for a number of years. Photo courtesy of Mary Meason



The Lane: Men standing in the doorway of Mr. M.E. Keahey's grocery store, which housed the bank in one corner. Also pictured is Lottie Lee's Hotel Photo courtesy of Freda Keahey.



Walter Hughes Family, 1922: Mr. and Mrs. Hughes; standing in front, Clarice Crabtree; right, Mamie Yeates, Hazel Cummings, Opal Mayfield, Mary R. McGehele (a niece), Homer, Pete; standing, Raymond Hughes, a brother of Mr. Hughes; seated behind Fred Wolf, a nephew of Mr. Hughes, seated at left, Vance. Photo taken by Falls at Roaring Springs. Photo courtesy of Mamie Hughes Yeates.

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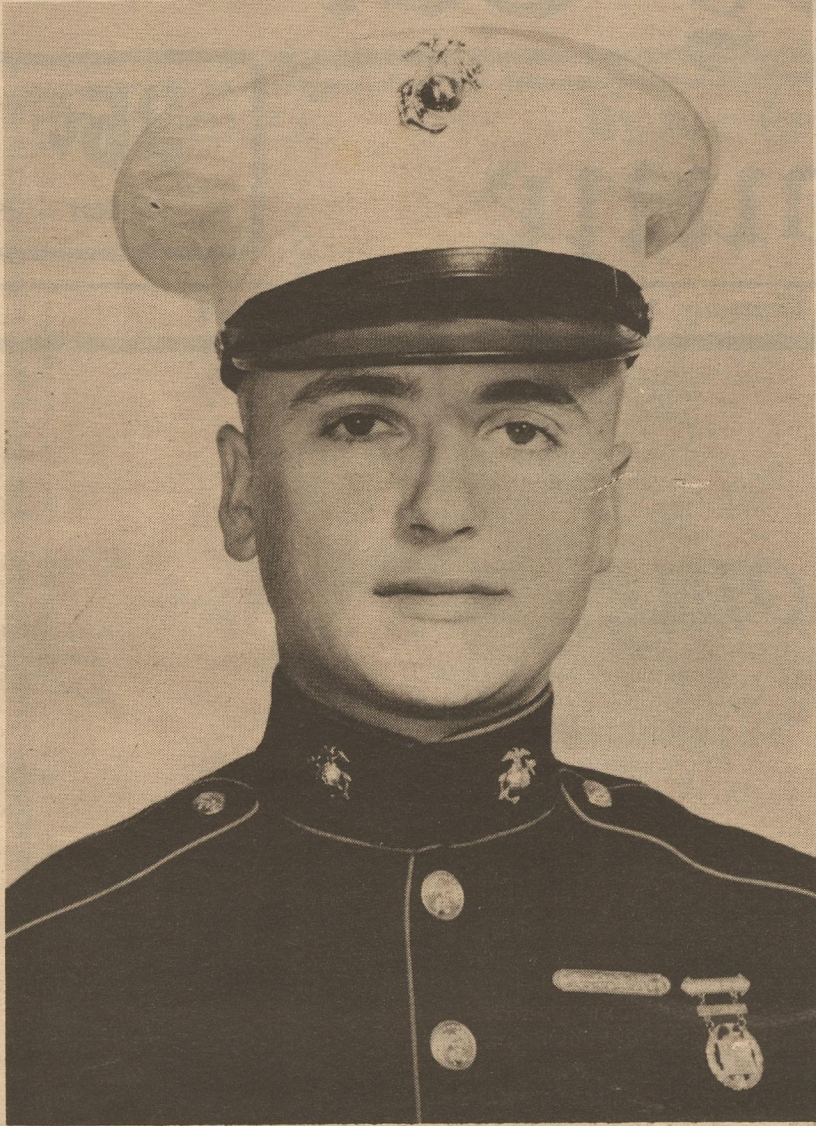
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FRANK MITCHELL

by Carla M. Jones

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as Leader of a Rifle Platoon of Company A, First Battalion, Seventh Marines, First Marine Division (Reinforced), in action against enemy aggressor forces in Korea on November 26, 1950.

Leading his platoon in point position during a patrol by his company through a thickly wooded and snowcovered area in the vicinity of Hansan-ni, First Lieutenant Mitchell acted immediately when the enemy suddenly opened fire at point-blank range, pinning down his forward elements and inflicting numerous casualties in the ranks. Boldly dashing to the front under blistering fire from automatic weapons and small arms, he seized an automatic rifle from one of the wounded men and effectively trained it against the attackers and, when his ammunition was

expended, picked up and hurled grenades with deadly accuracy, at the same time directing and encouraging his men in driving the outnumbering enemy from his position. Maneuvering to set up a defense when the enemy furiously counterattacked to the front and left flank, Lieutenant Mitchell, despite wounds sustained early in the action, reorganized his platoon under the devastating fire and spearheaded a fierce hand-to-hand struggle to repulse the onslaught.

Asking for volunteers to assist in searching for and evacuating the wounded, he personally led a party of litter bearers through the hostile lines in growing darkness and, although suffering intense pain from multiple wounds, stormed ahead and waged a singlehanded battle against the enemy, successfully covering the withdrawal of his men before he was fatally struck down by a burst of small arms fire.

Stouthearted and indomitable in the

face of tremendous odds, First Lieutenant Mitchell, by his fortitude, great personal valor and extraordinary heroism, saved the lives of several Marines and inflicted heavy casualties among the aggressors. His unyielding courage throughout reflects the highest credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life for his country"

These are the words in the citation for the Medal of Honor awarded to First Lieutenant Frank N. Mitchell on Nov. 26, 1950.

Frank Nicias Mitchell was born to J.D. and Isabel Mitchell, August 18, 1921 in Indian Gap, Texas. He arrived in Roaring Springs at the age of 2, in October of 1923.

Frank was a fifth generation Texan and he loved the creeks and springs around Roaring Springs. He attended Roaring Springs school and played football in high school. He graduated from Roaring Springs High School in 1938, and entered Texas Tech University that same year.

On a weekend trip to Dallas, with Tech friends, in 1939, Frank talked to a Marine recruiter. The war clouds of World War II were rolling in and Frank wanted to go.

He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1939, and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in 1945, after service in World War II aboard the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise at Wake, the Marshall and Marcus Islands and in Japan. He served in China in 1946 and 1947, and at other times was stationed at Quantico, VA; Camp Pendleton, CA; Seattle, WA; and San Francisco, CA. He was also attached to Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, as a

member of its rifle and pistol team.

After seven major engagements, Frank was sent home to finish college. He attended Colorado College under the Navy V-12 program, and also attended Southwestern University and North Texas Agriculture and Mechanical College. He played varsity football in college for 2 years.

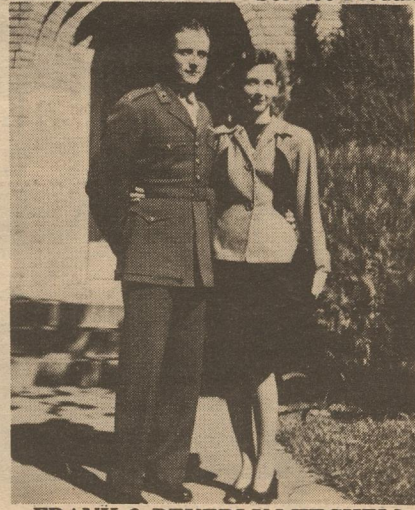
After graduation from college, he married Beverly Banks of Neuman, GA. They had one daughter, Barbara, five, when he died. His wife is now deceased and his daughter is married and lives in Spain.

DEDICATION SERVICE

A Memorial Dedication Service will be held in Roaring Springs at the City Park on Thursday, August 24, at 2:00 p.m.

A Monument will be erected by Frank's 1938 classmates. Master of ceremonies will be Jerry Green, Retired Marine Colonel. Guest speaker will be Senator Steve Carriker and State Representative Warren Chisum, will present the family with a flag.

In addition to the Medal of Honor, Lieutenant Mitchell was awarded the Silver Star, Bronze Star with combat "V", the Purple Heart, Presidential Unit Citation with two bronze stars, the Good Conduct Medal with one bar, the American Defense Service Medal with Fleet clasp, the Asiatic-Pacific campaign medal, the American campaign medal, the Victory medal, the China service medal, the Korean Service Medal with two bronze stars, and the United National Service Medal.



FRANK & BEVERLY MITCHELL



Early Day classmates of Frank Mitchell: Front row, (l-r) Frank Mitchell, Estelle Gunter, Drucilla Smith, Martha Drennon, Charles Russell, Louise Garrett, Van Allee Green, Charlene King (two unnamed); Second row: Dumont Bridge, Earl Vaughn, Tommy Love, Stanley Russell, (one unnamed), Sybil Greening, Nell Green, Lena Mae Rigsby (one not named), Wesley Yandell. Back row: Thelma Rape, James Hollinghead, Tommy Bell, Lesly Yandell, Laverna Clifton, Paul Nichols, Mary Frances Hallford (two unnamed). Photo courtesy of Rosalyn Work and Marian Jones.

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A.J. Cooper and June Cooper, his granddaughter. Mr. Cooper came to Motley County from Indian Territory, Oklahoma in 1897 and lived at Dutchman for several years, then moved to Roaring Springs. Photo courtesy of Mary Meason.

Cowboys All Cowboys

by Linda McCleskey

When the men of my family all get together,
 You can bet they don't talk of the weather.
 They talk of long hard days in the saddle,
 Of a tough young bronc or wild mean cattle.
 My men, you see, all have a thing in common,
 With their hats, boots, and spurs, you can hear them a coming.
 But more than that you must agree,
 They are all "Matador Cowboys" down thru history.
 From Jim & Edna Hoover to Puss & Lee Cox,
 From them have come cowboys, and there's quite a lot.
 There's Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, and my Dad.
 Yes, even down to my husband I have.
 All can tell you about the long drives,
 Of mesquite thickets, cactus, and tanks that went dry.
 Of branding the mavericks, right where they were caught,
 Of nights at the wagon, rolled up in their tarp.
 I grew up on their stories, told time and again,
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Generations of Cowboys



Rose Hoover Booth (standing), Edna Booth Hoover (horseback). Taken in 1922 at Rusler Camp on Matador Ranch in southwest Motley County. Photo courtesy of Linda McCleskey.

by Linda Cox McCleskey

Jim and Edna Hoover were married November 8, 1917 at Northfield. They moved to Mott Camp of the Matador Ranch in 1918. Jim had a son, George, from an earlier marriage. George attended school in Roaring Springs. Jim and Edna had a son, Leonard. He only lived two short years before he died in 1920. Edna was so upset over the loss of their son that the boss, Mr. Jackson, sent a gentle horse from headquarters so she could ride all day with Jim and not be alone at the house.

Edna's mother had died in 1907, and since Jim's father had also died, Edna's dad, Mr. Booth married Jim's mother, Rose Hoover. This was about 1920. They lived on the Booth farm at Northfield.

Jim and Edna Hoover had a baby girl, Nellie May (Martin) before they left the Rustler Camp of the Matadors in 1923. They returned to Northfield to live and raise Bub, Travis, Laqueta, and Rita Jo. George died in 1926 in a hunting accident.

Jim passed away in 1957, and Edna passed away in June, 1988.

In 1943, T.F. or "Puss" and Lee Cox moved to Turtle Hole Camp with Loys and Pick. Junior was already in the Navy. Loys was always a real cowboy. She helped on the ranch as much as possible. You see, cowboying is in the blood, it's not acquired or taught. It's not choosey, it hits girls as well as boys. This I can say first hand. Seeing as how she could rope and brand, it's no wonder when she set eyes on a Matador Ranch raised cowboy, W.O. Cox, she branded him her own.

W.O. Cox was Luther Cox's son. He was raised on the "Matts". He lived at Ballard Camp, Turtle Hole Camp, and Dugout. W.O. and Loys left there in 1946. W.O. died in Dec. 1973.

Now Pick, being the youngest, figured to quit school and be a full time cowboy. You see the blood was hot and thick for cowboying in him. In 1947, he was one of the special crew that the Matadors sent to Croton County when it was sold to the Pitchforks. He's often said "God made Croton just to hold the world together." The cows were so wild there they would rope them and tie them to a tree for a day or two, just to help their manners out some. They tended to try to

hook, bite or kick anything near them. But soon as school started, Lee "Ma" Cox got Pick right back in school, much to his disliking, we might add. Well, in May 1948, as Pick received his diploma, he walked over to 'Ma' and said "Here's the paper you wanted so bad, now I'm going to the wagon to cowboy."

Pick stayed on the "Matts" for a year, then he married Laqueta Hoover, August 3, 1949.

Puss and Ma Cox left the "Matts" in 1952, going to the Triangle Ranch, where he retired in 1968. Ma Cox died in January, 1981. We lost Pa this July, 1989.

Pick and Laqueta moved to the Turtle Hole camp in 1952. They already had two small girls, Sandra (Layton), and Janette (Burns). I was lucky, I was born while they were at Turtle Hole in 1954. Pick and Queta left there in 1955 to go also to the Triangles. They have another daughter, Lucy (Poole) and a son, Carl Cox. Yes, Pick is still a cowboy.

Travis Hoover was at the "Matts" for a few months in the middle forty's. But his soul wasn't cowboy, so he left, never to go back. He has a son and two daughters. None, I'm sorry to say, are cowboys.

Nellie married Clarence Martin and had 4 girls and 5 boys. Three of which, Marion, Clyde and Dale, have all been Matador cowboys. Bub Hoover had four sons, and still farms part of the old home place in Northfield.

Rita Jo has six sons, and is still in the Northfield community.

Sandra married Charlie Layton in 1968 and by November was working for the "Matts". Charlie's dad, Chuck Layton had also worked for the "Matts" in the 1960's. Charlie left in 1969, only to return in the

early 70's as straw boss of the "Matts" for awhile.

In 1970, I met a Matador Cowboy, Elgie McCleskey. We were married in October. Elgie had worked every summer for the "Matts" since 1964. When they laid off the single boys for winter, he would work at the Cotton Warehouse in Roaring Springs, until time to go back to the "Matts" for spring roundup. Elgie's Dad, Jimmy McCleskey, first went to work for the "Matts" in the 1930's. He came from Mena, Arkansas.

He was living at Russellville in the bunkhouse when he married Bertha Davis in 1937. He left there fairly soon after, only to return in 1963, there he once more became a cowboy for them. When Jimmy retired in 1978, he was the farm caretaker. He also fed a large portion of the ranch through winter.

Elgie and I left the "Matts" in 1977, but when Elgie, Pick, Pa, and Jimmy would get together, you would always see a far away look in their eyes as they talk of the "Matts". Elgie and I have four sons, so who knows, maybe one day, they will be Matador cowboys, too.

Carl Cox got another line started in July, 1987, when he married Becky Burditt. Her dad, Don, worked for the Matadors in the 70's. Today some of the extended family still works there. Luther Cox's great-grandson, John Douglas

Russell. He and his wife, D'Anna and their son, Colton, live on the Russellville camp.

To each of us, the Matador's will always be thought of as home.

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All past and present Matador Ranch employees are asked to meet at the Tabernacle on the Old Settlers grounds, Saturday, August 26 at 10:00 a.m.

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NOTICE

The Dream Cafe in Roaring Springs will be closed next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, August 28, 29 and 30, due to repairs. We will be open for regular business on Thursday, August 31. We appreciate your business and your understanding!

**CLASSES OF 58-59-60
TO HOLD REUNION**

The Matador High School classes of 1958, 59 and 60 will hold a reunion Saturday afternoon, Oct. 28.

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**CLASS OF 1939
TO HOLD REUNION**

The Class of 1939 of Matador High School will have their 50th Reunion, October 28, Saturday. Everyone is invited to come to the Senior Citizens Building.

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Carla and I would like to say thank you to everyone who contributed photos and stories to this Old Settlers edition of the Motley County Tribune.

We have never received this many pictures, and we are sorry to say that we were not able to use all of them, due to lack of space. We have many pictures and stories that have never been shared with the public, with many new writers sharing their stories with us.

We appreciate so very much each picture and story. Thank you!

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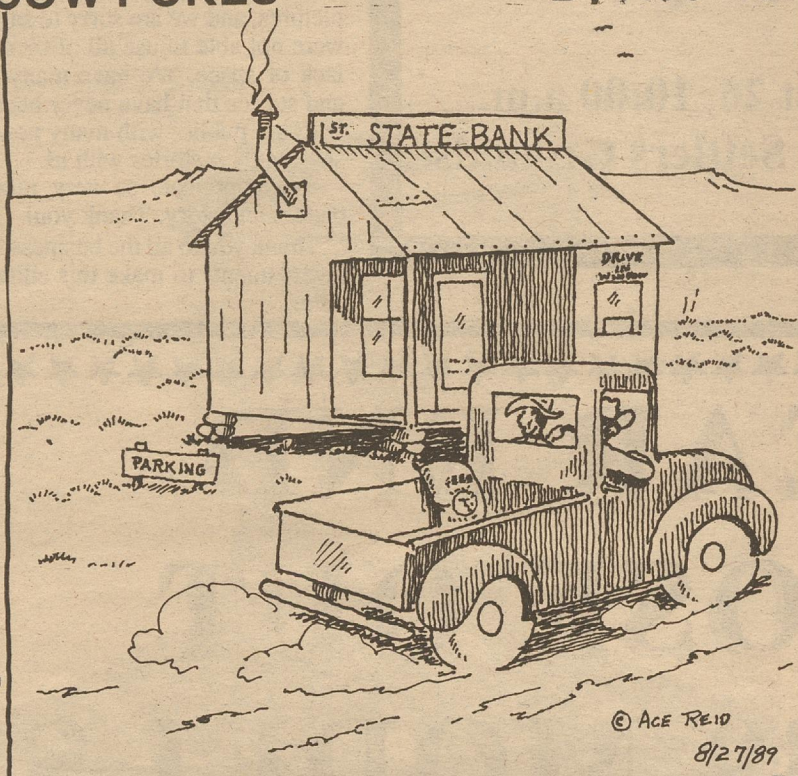
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Martin Served With Parson's Regiment



Wood Martin, Confederate Veteran. Photo courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Bailey of Eastland.

by Marisue Potts

At the outbreak of the Civil War Woodford M. Martin enlisted as a private in Captain Joseph P. Wier's Company of Parson's Regiment of Texas Volunteers at Hempstead, Texas. This unit became Company A of the 12th Texas Cavalry. The 12th, also known as 4th or as Parson's Regiment, saw service primarily in Arkansas and Louisiana. In the field they were called Dragoons or Mounted Volunteers. By 1863 Martin became a 1st sergeant.

With the conclusion of hostilities, he returned to Hill County where his family had settled prior to the war. Martin, the son of John and Malinda Neel Martin, was born in Butler County, Kentucky on May 28, 1841. Back home he took as his

bride the widowed Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Scott Treadwell. After her death he married another Scott, Nancy Elizabeth. (His brother I.E. Van Martin also married a Scott from Hill County, Catherine.)

Before moving to Motley County in 1891, Martin lived in Hill & McLennan Counties. His family was one of the pioneer families of the newly organized county, settling in the Flomot area. There he helped found the first school in 1893 and served as one of the trustees. With others he organized the first Methodist church at Flomot and was ordained as one of the first Elders.

Martin died September 22, 1918, at Stanley, New Mexico, while visiting his daughter. He is buried in the Flomot

Cemetery.

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Wood's brother Arthur G. Martin of Hill County served with the 28th Brigade, T.M. Among the family papers now held by Mrs. Leo Archer are two interesting documents.

One is a "Confederate Tax Receipt for \$9.25 received of A.G. Martin in Confederate Treasury Notes, being the full amount of Confederate Tax due by him for the year 1862 & stock for 1863."

The other, an amnesty, is a worn fragile piece of paper, framed and hanging in the Archer home on Dutchman Creek. As all released Confederate prisoners and surrendering soldiers were required by President Andrew Johnson at the end of the war in 1865, Martin swore his allegiance to the union and received the following "pardon":

United States of America

We do hereby certify that A.G. Martin has this day taken the amnesty oath and having been registered is thereby duly

qualified an Elector-

In witness we hereto sign our names at office in Owenville this 18th September 1865.

Isaac Lloyd

C for C

No. 268

J. Adams (?)

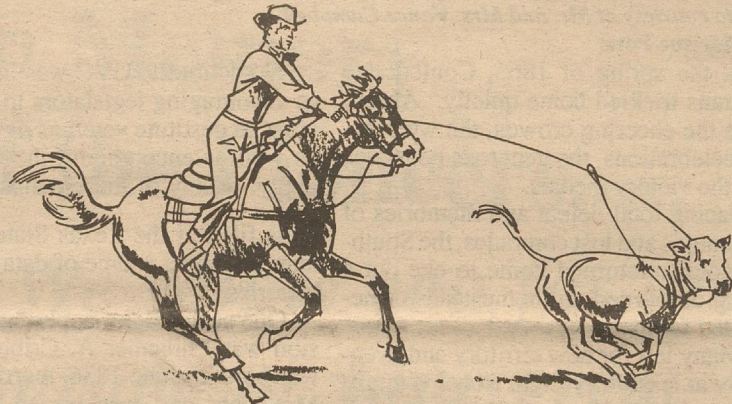
Many years later Arthur's widow Harriett who had moved to Motley County with her son and family, the I.E. Van Martins, in 1891, would apply for and receive a pension based on his service.



[The information about Wood Martin and his soldier's picture are shared by Ron Bailey of Eastland, Texas. Mrs. Bailey, the former Linda Kay Rattan, is a descendant of Wood Martin.

The documents of Arthur Martin are preserved and shared by Mrs. Leo Archer of Matador, who is descended from that line.]

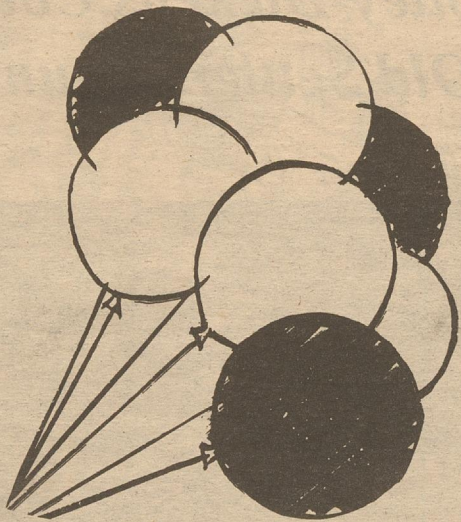
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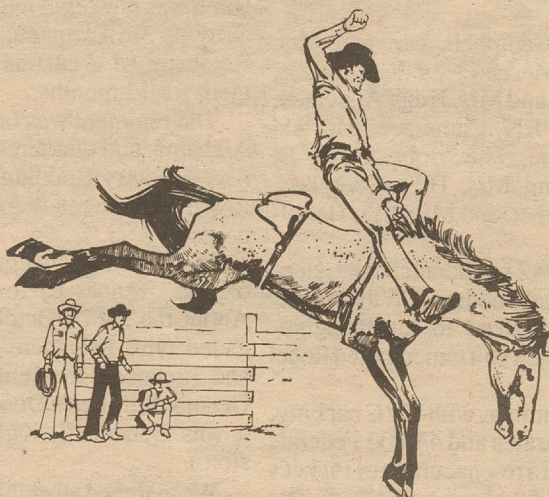
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Dickens, Texas

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Confederate Soldiers Band Together in UCV



MOTLEY COUNTY CONFEDERATE VETERANS and their wives: Included are: Mack Campbell; Mrs. Math Patton; Math Patton; P.A. Cribbs, Mrs. P.A. Cribbs; Mr. Anderson; Mrs. Anderson; Mr. Hurst; T.N. Cammack; Mrs. T.N. Cammack; Mrs. Robertson; Mr. Robertson; Mr. W.B. Pipkin; Mr. Johnson; Mrs. H.H. Campbell; H.H. Campbell; Mrs. Bain; Mr. Wiley Jones; Mrs. J.W. Hamilton; Mr. J.W. Hamilton. Photo courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Campbell.

by Marisue Potts

In the spring of 1865, Confederate veterans trickled home quietly. Absent were the cheering crowds, the welcoming celebrations, the generous pensions, and the victory medals.

Facing total defeat and memories of lost battles and lost comrades, the Southern soldier returned home to eke out a living on burned out homesteads or neglected farms.

Many left for new territory and eventually at least forty-eight Rebel veterans came to Motley County. Thirty-three are known to have died here with many of their graves marked with Confederate States of America markers.

Not until over twenty years after the war did the returned soldiers band together to form the United Confederate Veterans. At its peak in 1904, the UVC claimed over 80,000 members in more than 1,500 camps across the country. Its publication, the Confederate Veteran, provided a forum for the individual soldier's reminiscences.

In Matador sometime before 1905 veterans formed Camp S.B. Maxey, No. 860, a chapter of the UVC. In a photograph of that era a Rebel flag proudly hangs from the second story balcony of a local hotel. With many sporting venerable white beards and goatees, the following veterans (and wives) were identified:

J.M. Mac Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Math Patton, Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Cribbs, Mr. Hurst, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. T.N. Cammack, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, H.B. Johnson, W.B. Pipkin, Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Campbell, Mrs. Bain, and Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Hamilton.

With the 1912 presidential election of Southern-born Woodrow Wilson, ex-Confederates flocked to his inauguration, shouting their still remembered Rebel yell.

The next summer, with UVC backing, 8,000 Confederates and 44,000 Federals joined to watch a re-enactment of Picket's Charge at the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. There were no apologies and no regrets. According to one ex-Rebel, "Each conceded to the other the well-earned right to boast his prowess...each acknowledged that the other had been a 'foeman worthy of his steel.'"

No doubt the UVC was instrumental in encouraging legislators to grant pensions to destitute veterans or their wives as well as encouraging the veterans to apply. Many of these pension applica-

tions filed at the Texas State Archives later became a source of data for family histories.

One such soldier applying for a pension was Philander A. Cribbs. Cribbs was born 27 June 1836, married Nannie McShann, and was buried in Motley County 6 Mar 1927. Cribbs, N.J. Shands, and Pat Cornett took the train at Quanah to attend the 21st Session of the United Confederate Veterans in Little Rock on May of 1911.

In a lengthy letter written about a year before his death in 1927, Cribbs recounted his experiences in hopes of receiving government assistance.

Philander A. Cribbs Recounts Civil War Experiences

This is my army record as near as I remember it: I don't remember dates so don't attempt to give them as correct.

This is to certify that I, P.A. Cribbs, enlisted as a volunteer for 12 months about the 1st of September 1861 at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and at Opelaca, Alabama was mustered into the Confederate army as 3rd Lieutenant of Co. K, 20th Regiment of Alabama Infantry, enlistment for 12 months.

The regiment was ordered to Mobile, Alabama, and quartered in the "Old Dog River Factory Buildings" for the winter, to drill, and be ready for the spring campaign.

In April 1862 were ordered to Knoxville, Tennessee, for active service. About the 1st of October we were brigaded with Brigadere Genl. Stevenson and proceeded to Kentucky in Major General S.D. Lee's Division (or probably it was General E. Kirby Smith's Division.)

We marched all night through a drizzly rain over the mountain and attacked General Seigle's Division of Germans (fresh from Germany) at London, Kentucky, also at Barbers Town [Bardstown.] They were at breakfast and altogether surprised. Consequently not much of a fight, tho we killed many of them and

took about 15,000 prisoners, also a great quantity of arms, ammunition, and stores.

We armed our Regiment with new Enfield Rifles (our arms were old time British "Flint & Steele" muskets, converted to percussion cap locks.)

We then marched on to Harrisburgh, the capitol of Kentucky. Inaugerated a "confederate governor," — Haws. (History says that Kentucky never had a confederate governor but I was in line of a Hollow Square and witnessed the Inauguration.)

We there and then received orders to Double quick to re-enforce General Bragg at Perraville where he was engaged in battle with General Buell. On arriving at Harroldsburch, we were halted and ordered to cook three days rations. Genl. Bragg was re-treating and for Genl. S.D. Lee to retreat also. This was about the last of September.

We returned to east Tennessee and went into winter quarters near McMinnville. Our Brigade was re-organized and re-enlisted for 3 years or close of the war.

General E.W. Tracy was our Brigadier edier comander (all Alabama Troops) and was ordered to Vicksburg, Missippa for service, taking position on Chickasaw Bayo in time to see the Yanks retreating to their gun boats above Vicksburg. From there we were ordered to Fort Gibson below Vicksburg. This was about the 1st of May 1863.

At Fort Gibson we met Genl. Grants Army- engaged them all day- late in the afternoon they charged our entire line with a great force and drove us back with loss- Genl. Tracy was killed and Col. I. W. Garrett was promoted to Brigadeere General and took comand of the Brigade.

And the second day after that we met Genl. Grants Army in battle at Bakers Creek where we were again defeted and retreated to the Brest-works around Vicksburg where we were besieged daily without intermition for 52 days. Surrendering on the 3rd of July.

Genl. Grant refused to accept the surrender until the next day, that he could celebrate it on the 4- thou he declaired an Armistis and issued us rations on the 3rd. He parolled us that we might be exchanged for Genl. Seigles German prisoners captured by us in Kentucky. We went into parole camp at Demopolis, Alabama, to await for the exchange to be made. After which we were ordered to Tennessee to re-inforce Genl. Bragg's fources at the Battle of Chicamanga River.

Genl. Tracy was killed in the battle at Fort Gibson. Col. I. W. Garrett was promoted to a Brigadier General and placed in comand of the Tracy Brigade during the seige of Vicksburg.

Now here is a bit of unwritten history. During the Seige of Vicksbury, the 42 Ala. Infantry Regiment ocupide a Fortress which was quite anoying to the enemy on oposite side of the lines. So much so that Genl. Grant had a Tunel under it and mined it with a heavy charge and blowed it up, killing & wounding 2/3 or more of our men, perfictly demorelizing those that was left, and charged the redoubt. Soon had it full of Yanks.

Genl. S.D. Lee ordered Col. Pettus to call on Col. Waul, whoes Batalion of Texas Troops (known as the Texas Legions) was in our rear as re-enforcements for volenteers, to retake the 43 Ala. Fort, and capture or kill the Yanks.

Col. Waul objected to let Col. Pettus have his men and insisted on taking them himself. Col. Pettus showed his orders and called for volenteers to fall in line. He only wanted sixty men. He counted them off, ordered them to fix "bayonets," (he would "charge" them with the bayonette without loading their guns) and to follow him in single file. Keep low down and watch him and when he waved his Red Handkerchief to rais the Rebel Yell and "Charge Double Quick" to the right & left giving the Bayonett without mercy, and within five minutes they would have them all out or dead.

Col. Waul, seeing he was defeated, laid off his uniform coat & Sword, buckled a Cartridge Belt around him and shouldered a gun, taking a place in the ranks as a volenteere, and made the charge.

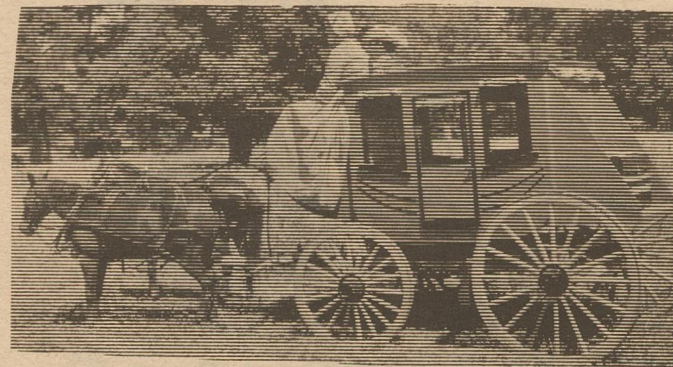
Here let me say was made two Brigadeere Generals. Col. E.W. Pettus & Col. Waul of the Texas Legions were promoted for Bravery.

General Garrett was killed during the siege of Vicksburg. No Genl. Pettus was placed in comand of the Alabama Brigade and marched it to reinforce Genl. Bragg in Tennessee.

We were soon placed in posession on Lookout Mountain, engaging Genl. Hooker for several hours. Our ammunition gave out and the Yanks were crowding us. We prised up Boulders and rolled them down the mountain onto them and did them a great deal more damage than

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Matador

Confederate Soldiers

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Hurst
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey No. 860 U.V.C., Matador

Johnson, W.B.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 22 Jan. 1828 d. 12 Mar 1907
m. 4 Nov 1849 S. A. _____ b. 3
Sep 1831 d. 18 Jul 1900
Member of S.B. Maxey No. 860 U.V.C.,
Matador

*Jones, Wylie P.
Pension Application Approved, #20221,
Wylie Jones, Fayette Co., Bk. 2
Pension Application Rejected, Wylie
Jones, Motley Co.
Pension Application Rejected, Wylie
Jones, Motley Co.
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey, No. 860
U.V.C., Matador Texas.

[Early resident of county, died elsewhere:]
*Lisenby, J.C. Sr.
b. Hawambia, Miss.
Co. A. Magee's Reg., Dobbins Brigade,
Cavalry
Pension Application Approved, #22336,
J.C. Lisenbe, Harris Co., Bk. 3

[Pension application by wife Mrs. Harriet Martin of Motley County:]
*Martin, A.G. (aka Arthur G.)
Hill County
b. 1829, Ill. d. 4 Feb 1871
m. 12 Jul 1849, Ky. Harriet A. Wade b.
14 Jan 1833 d. 28 Mar 1907
Louis. or Louier? Brigade, Pr. #3, 28th
Brigade, T.M.
Pension Application Approved, #06882,
Mrs. Harriet A. Martin, Motley Co.,
Bk. 1

Martin, Woodford M.
Flomot Cemetery
b. 28 May 1841 d. 22 Sept
1918
m. Sarah Elizabeth Scott Treadwell

m. Nancy Elizabeth Scott
m. ? b. 1855 d. 1835 Flomot Ceme-
tery
12th Texas Cavalry, W.H. Parson's
Mounted Volunteers, 4 Texas Dragoons.
Capt. Joseph P. Wier's Co., Private.
Company A, Sergeant

[Resident of county, buried elsewhere:]
*Meador, Wm. Ellsberry
Veal Station, Texas
d. 2 May 1877, pneumonia
m. 21 July 1861 Martha Elizabeth Preston
b. 2 Mar 1844 d. 1941
Tom Greene's Brigade, Texas Cavalry
Captured at Ft. Donaldson, La.; escaped
from Richmond, Va.
Col. Quail's Texas Rangers, then returned
to Greene's Brigade
Pension Application Rejected, Mrs.
Martha E. Meador, Motley Co.

*Medlin, Thomas Franklin
Roaring Springs Cemetery
CSA marker
Co. K.I. N.C. Infantry
Corp.
Pension Application Rejected, Mrs.
Mildred C. Medlin, Motley Co.

*Montgomery, Wm. A.
Pension Application Approved, #42747,
W.A. Montgomery, Motley Co., Bk. 4

Moore, W.R.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 14 Jul 1830 d. 16 Sep 1900
m. Mary A. _____ b. 3
Oct 1838 d. 5 Mar 1917

*Patton, Matthew Leander Sr.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 14 Apr 1841, Tippah Co., Miss. d. 15
Aug 1905
m. 6 Sep 1860 Elizabeth Cutbirth b.
17 May 1836 d. 8 Jan 1910
Co. F, 2nd Miss. Inf. Army of No. Vir-
ginia
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey No. 860
U.V.C., Matador

*Pipkin, Wm. Bascom
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 1 Mar 1846 Columbia Co., Ark., d. 9
May 1932

m. Martha Riley
Co. E, Thomas J. Bird's Trans-Missis-
sippi Cav.
Pension Application Approved, W.B.
Pipkin, Motley Co., Bk. 6

Robertson
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey No. 860
U.V.C., Matador

*Russell, John J.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 12 Mar 1840 d. 18 Aug 1904
m. Sarah Elizabeth _____ b. 12 Mar
1858 d. 22 Dec 1949

*Seay, R.A.
Pension Application Rejected, Mrs. M.E.
Seay, Motley Co.

N.J. Shands
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 6 Jun 1844 d. 30 Apr 1915
m. Rebecca A. _____ b. 18 Dec
1848 d. 2 Nov 1922
Member of Camp S.B. Maxey No. 860
U.V.C., Matador

*Stadley, John Henry
Matador East Mound Cemetery
b. 1840 d. 1916
Pension Application Approved, #25747,
J.H. Stadley, Motley Co., Bk. 3
Pension Application Approved, #33158,
Mrs. J.H. Stadley, Motley Co., Bk. 5

*Tatom, Jacob Orr
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 5 Aug 1844 d. 12 Apr 1924
m. Ellen V. _____ b. 3 Jul 1845
d. 17 Nov 1925
Pension Application Approved, #39860,
Mrs. J.O. Tatom, Motley Co., Bk. 5

*Terry, Joseph
Pension Application Approved, Mrs.
Martha Jane Terry, #46060, Motley Co.,
Bk. 7
[Martha Jane Terry, bur. East Mound, b.
1859, d. 1938]

*Turner, Dr. A.M.
Matador East Mound
CSA marker
b. 9 Dec. 1825 d. 9 Apr 1923
[Pension Application approved, #20577,
A.M. Turner, Caldwell Co., Bk. 2]

Unknown
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker

*Walsh, Tom
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
m. Mat _____

Waybourn, J.W.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 4 Dec 1840 d. 4 Feb 1903

Welch, Nelson Reece
Flomot Cemetery
b. 18 Oct 1846 d. 11 March 1927
m. Narcissus Jane _____ b. 23 Oct.
1852 d. 7 Jan 1940 Flomot Cemetery

*Wideman, C.E.
Matador East Mound Cemetery
CSA marker
b. 19 Jan 1846 d. 2 Jan 1940

TEXAS INFANTRYMAN WRITES HOME

To Jane Monteith Shields, Homer,
Angelina County, Texas
From Thomas Jefferson Shields
Co. D, 22nd Regt. TS. I [Texas Infantry]

Camp in 4 miles of Mississippi,
November 29, A.D. 1863.
My Dear Wife

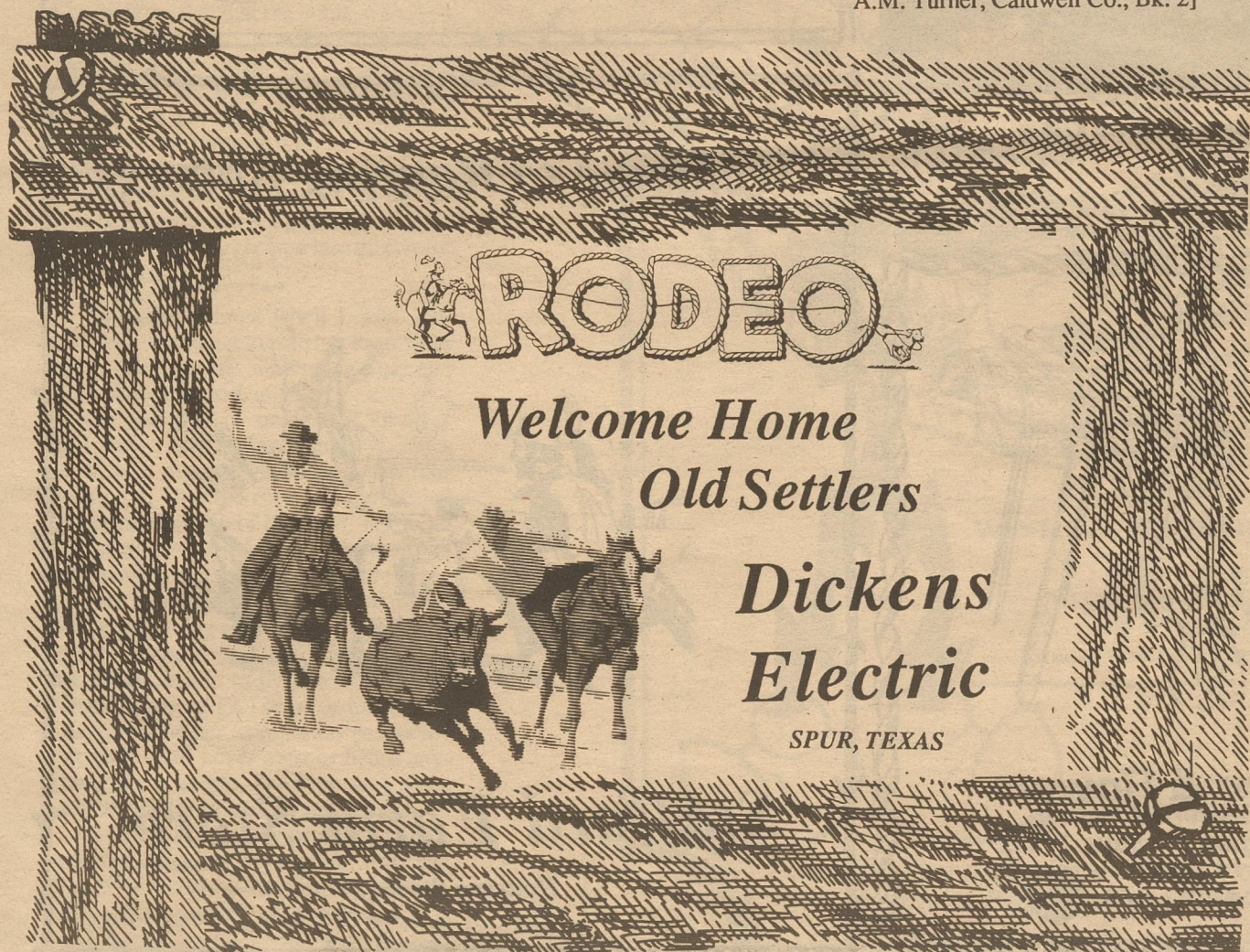
I take My pen in hand this morning to
write you a few lines to let you know that
I am well at the present and Hoping when
this comes to hand It will find you and
children enjoying the same Blessing of
health.

I was on ___ gard the 22 of this month
in few minutes after we had got to the
Mississippi river a transport departed and
as she got down opside our Artillary turn
loose on the one Transport and Sat her on
fire. Them Yankees Commence Shelling
us from thier gunboats And killed one
man out of our Regiment. I hear Canons.

I have got all the things That you Sent
to me on the 23 day of Nov and the letter
to my Dearest one. You wrot me that if
did not like the things I could burn them
up if I wanted to. That you was as Shame
to send them. I am not a Shame of you if
you was a Shamed of them.

I am Stouter and hearter then I have
been since I have been in the Service for
I am big fat. I want to see you and the
Children might bad indeed. I though I
sean you and all the children and heard
my ox Bell all in my Sleep last night. The
lastest letter that got was the letter Cap-
tain Anderson fetch me when he come
from home. I have not heard from Samuel
and Ely Windham since the fight. P.
Renfro sends his best respects to you and
sayes that he wants you to quit braging on
our Boys. give Malisa and the children
my best Respects. So nothing more only
I Remain your affectionate Husband until
Death.

T.J. Shields



Camp in the Field at La.
June 20th, 1864
My Dear Wife,

You may rest assured that I will avail
myself of every opportunity to write to
you, whenever I can send a letter by hand.
It is true I have no news of any impor-
tance to write to you, but still I will write,
even if I should have no more to state but
that I was well, and I feel assured to hear
that, if no more would be a source of great
satisfaction to you. Although I have but
litle to write. Still I will try to think up
something that will interest you. We
are camped about fifteen miles East of
Alexandria. And I think will probably

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Roaring Springs Ladies standing in front of Roaring Springs Hotel in 1933: (l-r) Mamie Duren, Bess Medlen, Mrs. Duff Green, Kennie (Margie) Huffstetler, Lady Isabel Mitchell, Evelyn Gullledge, Alla Kelley, Mrs. Guy (Minnie) Thacker, Peek ?, Mrs. Lige Cooper, unknown.

-----NOTICE OF SALE-----

Notice is hereby given that the City of Roaring Springs will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash on
ON OCTOBER 9th, 1929.

In front of the City Secretary's Office, livestock described as follows:

One brown horse mule about 12 years old, unbranded.
Said mule was taken up running at large within the corporate limits of the City of Roaring Springs, against the City Ordinance against stock of certain kinds running at large within the corporate limits of said town.

Said mule is now in charge of the City Pound Man, and will be sold for Pound fees and charged due thereon, Mule taken up on September 30th, 1929.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 3rd day of October.

(Seal)


[Signature] Mayor.
City of Roaring Spring, Texas.

Above described animal sold October 9th, 1929, to the highest bidder for \$13.00 to M. D. Freeman, Roaring Springs, Texas.



Roaring Springs falls in 1913. Photo courtesy of Freda Keahy.

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Musings From Crow Flat

A Collection of Stories by Colquitt Warren

At the invitation of Mr. Alvin Davis of the Ranching Heritage Association, I recently attended and was on the program of the National Cowboy Symposium and Celebration at the University Center of Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Tom Blassingame of Claude, Bill Leftwich of Fort Davis, and I told western stories on the stage of the Allen Theatre. I told some of the following stories that have appeared in the Hudspeth County Herald.

When I stepped off the stage, a cowboy came up, shook hands, and asked, "Do you still like buttermilk?"

"I sure do, Jimmie Jack Fields," I said. I hadn't seen him for over 30 years. His parents F.B. and Sarah Fields, ran the mess hall at the Matador headquarters. After the Matadors sold out, they went to run the Pitchfork mess hall at the headquarters, about 15 miles east of Dickens.

When Ina and I visited them, F.B. would always say, "Sarah, get Colquitt a glass of that buttermilk."

At the Pitchforks Jimmie Jack was big enough to be on the payroll as "Chicken Boy," watering, feeding the chickens and bringing in the eggs. Jimmie Jack is now a full fledged cowboy, and still working for "The Forks."

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Murdo Mackenzie, General Manager of the Matador Ranch, stopped off at a little hotel in Old Tascosa to spend the night. After he had gone to bed, he heard several shots in the saloon next door. He got up, dressed and went down to see what was going on. He found a man lying on the floor of the saloon, shot up and bleeding badly.

Two men were standing over a corner by a whiskey barrel.

Mackenzie asked, "Don't this man need attention?"

One of the men explained, "Hell yes, but stray bullets shot holes in this barrel, and if we take our fingers out, the whiskey will all get away."

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At Matador, headquarters of the Matador Ranch, there was a druggist by the

name of Craven. The cowboys all called him "Doc" and went to him with their aches and pains.

A cowboy came in Doc's drugstore and said, "Doc, I've got a terrible cough, can you give me something for it?"

Doc reached up on a shelf and brought down a pint bottle full of a dark liquid. He handed it to the cowboy and said: "Take a big dose of this and you'll be afraid to cough."

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Ed D. Smith was a cowboy. He never did anything else in his life, and worked for the Matadors when I knew him. He was a great wit.

During the 1930's, when cowboys were drawing \$25 or \$30 and keep, he was running the MacDonald Camp about three miles southeast of the headquarters.

I was in the office one day when he came in. He said to M.J. Reilly, the superintendent, "Morris, I would like to get off for about two weeks." (He was the only cowboy I ever heard call Mr. Reilly, "Morris," or John Mackenzie, the manager, "John." To everybody else, they were "Mister.")

Mr. Reilly said, "I guess it will be all right, Ed D., but what's your trouble?"

Ed D. replied, "I would like to pull some bolls to make some money to have some work done on my saddle."

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Ed D. Smith was staying at Croton Camp. He and two more boys were batching down there.

They got up one morning and one of the boys said, "I'm going to have to go in and see a doctor. I think I've got pendicitis."

Ed D. asked, "How much money have you got?"

"Oh, about thirty dollars," the cowboy said.

"You ain't got no pendicitis, then," Ed replied, "that costs \$125."

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Bob Crabb was one of the first home-

steads in Motley County. He settled in Fields Canyon, near the mouth of Turtle Hole Creek in what, later, became the Turtle Hole Pasture of the Matador Ranch.

In April 1880, Bob sold his homestead rights to H.H. Campbell, founder of the Matador Ranch.

Bob had never got to go to school and never learned to count. Later when he was working for the Mill Irons, they were building a fence and the crew had dug a long string of post holes.

The boys didn't know that Bob couldn't count. Just before quitting one evening, the boss said, "Bob, count the holes so we will know how many post to bring out." Bob took off down the line of post holes. He wouldn't tell the boss he couldn't count.

After a long time he came back. The boss said, "How many, Bob?"

Bob answered, "Somewhere between 100 and a 1000. I never saw so damn many post holes in my life."

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Van Martin was a pioneer rancher in Motley County, and a very successful one. He was before my time, but I knew all of his children and made abstracts for each of them. At one time Van was the biggest individual tax payer in the county.

He was building a fence and showed two of his hands where to dig the holes for gate posts. One of the cowboys said, "How deep do you want them, Mr. Martin?"

Van said, "Just dig until I come back." He got into his car, drove off, forgot about the two hands, went to Matador and got drunk. He and the sheriff Ed Russell were old friends. They had grown up together in Hill County. Ed wouldn't put Van in jail, but looked after him until he sobered up. When Martin got back to the

ranch, one of the cowboys was down in a hole diggin' and the other one was drawing dirt out with a rope and bucket.

Old Van said, "By God, you done what I told you to."

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Simon Hall was a famous Matador chuckwagon cook. John Warren, who grew up on the ranch and ate Simon's cooking for six years, said, "Simon was a good cook and a clean cook, and no matter how many times he went to town and got drunk and didn't show up the next morning, the Matador boss would always hire him back when he sobered up."

A barber there in Matador got tired of town life, bought himself a saddle and rode out to where the chuckwagon was parked. It was about 10:00 a.m.

The barber tied his horse a safe distance on the down side from the wind, walked around to the tent where Simon was fixing dinner, and asked Simon, "When will the boss be in?"

Simon replied, "It won't be long, get yourself a cup of coffee, and find a place to sit down."

The barber sniffed and asked, "What's that that smells so good a cookin'?"

"That's a s-o-b, did you ever eat one?"

"No," the barber replied, "but I've shaved a hell of a lot of 'em."

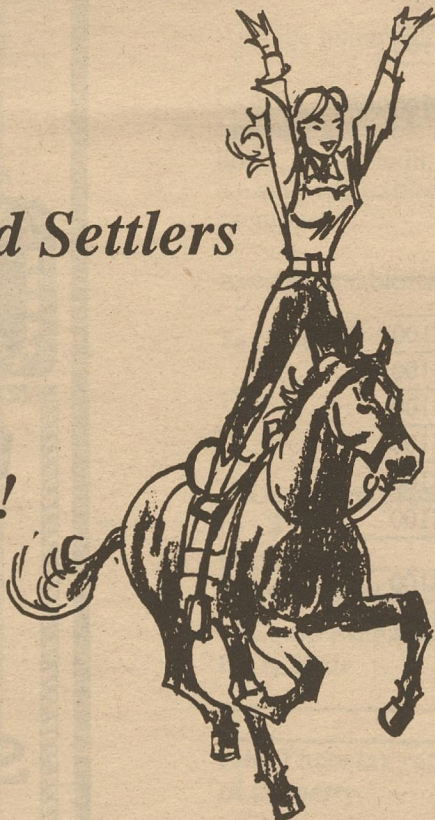
New Testament

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:1

Welcome Old Settlers

Have A Good Time!

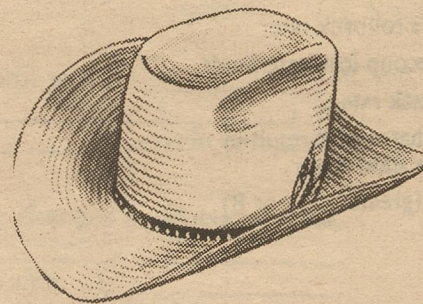


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APRIL 22, 1938

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ROY CAMPBELL	GILBERT PERRY
MRS. HOLLISTON	ELIZABETH SWIM
JANE POST	DORIS HUNTER
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CYNTHIA REED	ERDIE RHAYE PECK
MINNIE ROSS	ELWANDA GODFREY
EARL WALTON	CHARLES SHERWOOD
MRS BRINK	CHARLENE KING
RAMON CORTEZ	JUNIOR SHERWOOD

Time: The Present

Scene: Fairhaven College

Text for Matador Ranch State Historical Marker

The Matador Cattle Company began as an open range ranch in 1879 when Henry H. Campbell, A.M. Britton, and three others bought range rights in this area.

In 1882 the ranch was purchased by Scottish investors, who formed the Matador Land & Cattle Company, Ltd. The ranch utilized one and one half million acres of owned and leased range in Motley, Floyd, Dickens, and Cottle Counties.

In 1902 the ranch acquired the 210,000-acre Alamocitas Ranch in Oldham County. Additional pastures were leased in the Dakotas, Montana, and Canada. At its height the ranch owned 90,000 cattle and title to 879,000 acres of Texas land. In 1913 the Quanah, Acme, and Pacific Railroad was built through the ranch in Motley County and the town of Roaring Springs established.

General managers of the ranch were Britton (1879-90), Murdo Mackenzie (1890-1911, 1923-37), John MacBain (1912-22), and John Mackenzie (1937-

51).

The General Manager's office was located first in Fort Worth and later in Trinidad and Denver, Colorado. Corporate offices were maintained in Scotland from 1882 until the ranch's liquidation in 1951. The ranch headquarters was purchased by Koch Industries, Inc. and became The Matador Cattle Co.

Texas Sesquicentennial 1836-1986

Ranch Managers

Henry H. Campbell	1879-1891
A.G. Ligertwood	1892-1909
John M. Jackson	1909-1923
Maurice J. Reilly	1923-1941
John V. Stevens	1941-1951

[Research for this marker was completed by the Motley County Historical Commission, Chairman Marisue Potts.

The funding provided primarily by the Matador Cattle Co. and secondarily by History Day at the Ranch 1984-1986.]

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. Luke 6:38

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

Colossians 3: 23, 24

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Old Settlers Warmup

by Ed D. Smith

The Old Settlers Reunion is just around the corner and I am looking forward to it with anxiety. Every year I see old friends that I haven't seen since the year before, and I always see a few that I have not seen in twenty or thirty years. This is particularly enjoyable to me because I lived out of state and missed about twenty Old Settlers Reunions.

Now just like a football game may have a pre-game warm up show, we also have had one the last few years. This event is impromptu and always occurs on Banty Brandon's front porch in Roaring Springs. Such notables as James Bearden, Dan Brandon, Honk and Bob Forbis, David Keith, Jerry Green, Tommy Cooper, Teen Burluson and many others are

likely to stop by. More cows have been worked and more horses bucked off that porch than the Matador Ranch ever owned.

One of the chief participants in this gathering is "Wildhorse" Melvin Warren. Wildhorse has been a cowboy all his life. He has been a great bronc rider, was a Matador wagon boss and though in his seventies, still runs a ranch in the Bryan, Texas area.

The most important things in his life and not listed in any particular order, are horses, cattle, Old Settlers and dancing. He drives up to Roaring Springs every year and takes in three days and nights. He is always asked to be a judge at the waltz contest on Saturday afternoon.

While in the area for the Old Settlers, Wildhorse always takes care of one little

bit of business. He always orders a new pair of boots from Dood Damron in Matador. It has been said that at the same time, he picks up the pair that he ordered the year before.

Dood Damron is probably the best boot maker in the country and there is no way any one could wear out that many of his boots. Banty Brandon watched this routine over the years and finally could not take it any longer so he asked, "Horse, why in the world do you order so many boots, you could never wear them out?" Wildhorse said that Dood was gettin up in

years and might get too old to make the boots one of these days. The thing that was so funny to Banty was that if Dood got too old to make them, Wildhorse would be too old to wear them, since

there isn't much difference in their ages. Banty told Wildhorse then and there that he would like for him to leave the boots to him in his will because he felt certain that there would be enough to last the rest of his life.

Getting back to the porch, there is another story that Wildhorse tells about my father, Ed D. Smith. When Wildhorse was a little boy, his parents cooked for the Buckle L Ranch near Childress, Texas. His father was Cap Warren, a chuck-wagon cook of some notoriety.

One day while playing around the barn, he saw the cowboys coming in horseback and thought he could possibly stir up some excitement. He got a wash tub and climbed up into the rafters of the barn. When Ed D. rode into the barn, he threw the wash tub under his horse and predictably Ed D. was bucked off. As soon as Ed D. got up and figured out what had happened, he caught little Wildhorse and blistered him. Later at supper, Mrs. Warren remarked that Melvin was sure quiet. Melvin told her that he was not very hungry. Ed D. had not said a word about what had happened, but now looked up and said that he bet one damn thing, Melvin would not throw a tub under anyone's horse again. Wildhorse told me that it was true, he never did it again.

1989 Property Tax Rates in MOTLEY COUNTY School District

This notice concerns 1989 property tax rates for MOTLEY COUNTY School District. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 305,713.19
+ Last year's debt taxes	\$ 86,862.50
= Last year's total taxes	\$ 395,923.64
÷ Last year's tax base	\$ 50,276,656
= Last year's total tax rate	\$.79 /\$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 395,923.64
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 56,784,398
= This year's effective tax rate	\$.69644 /\$100
× 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.7281 /\$100
This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 305,713.19
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 56,891,138
= This year's effective operating tax rate	\$.5384 /\$100
× 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.5815 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$.1675 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$.7490 /\$100
+ Rate to recoup lost state funds	\$.0000 /\$100
= A. Rollback rate	\$.7490 /\$100
B. Rate that would result in maximum state funds	\$.7059 /\$100
Rollback Rate (greater of A or B)	\$.7490 /\$100



ED D. SMITH

Photo courtesy of Mrs. Ed D. Smith

God Bless You

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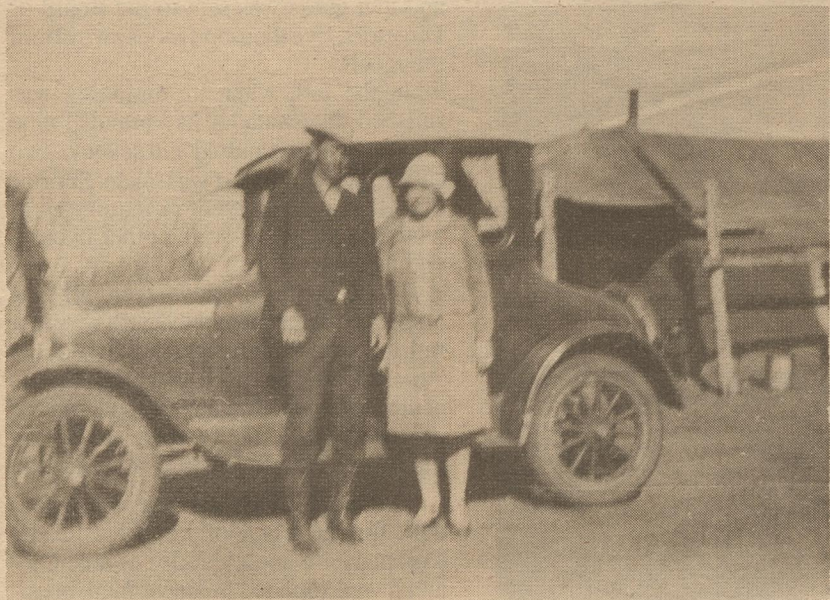
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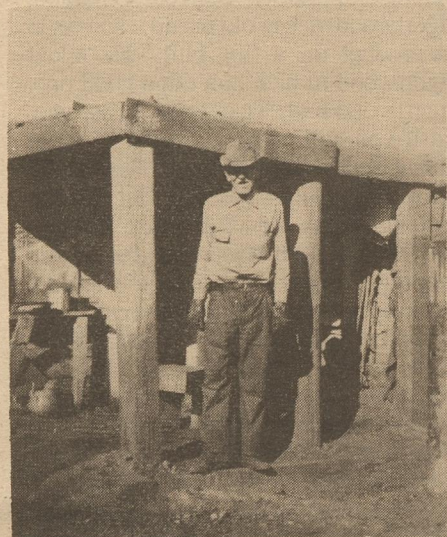




E.H. Gafford and Atoka Burkes soon after their marriage in 1928. Mrs. Gafford cooked for the cowboys on the Matador Ranch. This camp was nick-named the Rat Den. Cook tent in background. Photo courtesy of Mrs. Reba Burkes.



DUTCHMAN CAMP, 1957: (1-r) Rang Thorton, Rosie Deaton, Alvin Durham, David Keith; (2nd. row) Luther Lancaster, Elmer Parks, Charlie Payne, Wishy Dirickson, Jack Douglas, Bill Evans, Curtis Osborn. Standing behind: Sam Whitley, John Stotts, Scott Pepper. Ed D. Smith is standing. He lived at Dutchman at the time picture was taken. Photo courtesy of Elmer Parks.

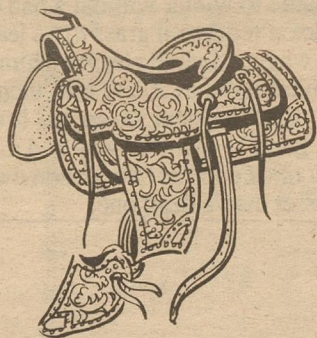


Jack Carr in front of the bunkhouse at Russelville in 1929.

Photo courtesy of Reba Burkes

Praise the Lord; for the Lord is good; sing praises unto his name; for it is pleasant.

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Cooper's Country Corner

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

The (Motley County I.S.D.) will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in (1988-1989) by (11.9) percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

The public hearing will be held at (8:00 p.m. August 31, 1989 at Motley Co. ISD Cafeteria).

FOR the proposal: Donnie Cruse, Alvin Alexander, Coy Franks, and Leslie Jameson.

AGAINST the proposal: Guy Campbell

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: L. J. Barkley, Jr. and James Palmer

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the (effective) tax rate that the unit published on (August 25, 1989). The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	11,000	11,000
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	5,000	5,000
Average taxable value	6,000	6,000
Tax rate	.79	.79 (proposed)
Tax	47.40	47.40 (proposed)

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would (Neither increase nor decrease) by \$ (-0-) or (-0-) percent compared with last year's taxes.

Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate will (neither increase nor decrease) per \$100 of taxable value () compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.



The Matador Ranch spring house below the tank dam was a two room affair with a dog trot between. The rock half-dugout on the right probably served as a cooling house with a running water trough. A handy stone ledge by the screen door was incorporated into the design. For a time, the building was a bath house for the cowboys and later served as a bakery, though by this picture the stove pipe had been removed. The known identity of the Matador cowboys numbered by Harry Campbell is as follows: On the roof, is (1) the mustashioned Joe Beckham, who later became the "outlaw sheriff"; (2) Jeff Harkey, brother to the two Harkey boys who died in separate shoot-outs at Mott Camp; (3) Bob Stelza with cartridge belt and high heeled boots; (4) Bill Wheeler, also with cartridge belt. On some very sleek, well-fed mounts are (5) Simpson, who sported a gold watch chain and carried a rifle in a scabbard; (6) Bus Baker, whose loosely coiled rope and wooly saddle bags adorned his high backed saddle; and (7) Jeff Boone, who later died of blood poisoning from a wound inflicted, some say accidentally, by the future sheriff Joe Beckham. Photo courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Campbell.

Early Matador Ranch Management

From RECOLLECTIONS by Duff Green

During its first fifty-eight years of tests and trials, the Matador Ranch had five general managers and four superintendents. The superintendents are the men who remain on the grounds and direct its destiny to details: Campbell, Ligertwood, Jackson, and Reilly. H.H. Campbell's reign lasted some eleven years, and covered the open range era, the sale and transfer to the Scotch

interest to get money with which to buy lands and cattle, to aid in stocking the additional acres, covered the period of enclosing the lands under fence and other general ranch improvement.

Though two highly paid managers were over Campbell, still there is no doubt in the minds of those who knew the facts that Henry Campbell was really the Matador Ranch. He was the cowman with restricted powers who turned the property over to his successors in remarkable condition, when you learn the state of affairs he dealt with...Campbell dealt with an open, wild and almost untamable situation at that time.

The old management remained in control from 1882, the date of sale, to 1890 when Campbell released the management and control into Scotch hands, and Murdo Mackenzie became the dominant factor in the Matador affairs.

Those Scotchmen are born business men, and are bookkeepers from Cork, and by reason of that fact, they keep tab on the money and of the ranching industry. There is never a rope hobble that leaves the Matador Commissary that they don't learn about in Dundee, Scotland. And those Scots think they are world beaters as cowmen.

It is said that they wrote over one spring and asked how many calves would be branded that year. Some of the boys or wagon men guessed ten thousand head,

and that guess was sent to the Board of Directors, five thousand miles away from the ranch.

In the fall, when the branding was finished, the Matador had branded nine thousand, nine hundred and seventy-two calves, and that report was made. Shortly the Matadors received an inquiry as to what had happened to the other twenty-eight calves.

Those Scottish fellows were all estimable gentlemen, but they had a very low rating for the integrity and honesty of the American people. Murdo Mackenzie was at the head of the Matador Ranch for near on to fifty years, and I once heard he said the American people were a strange lot...

Arthur G. Ligertwood, a superintendent for the Matador Land and Cattle Company for some quarter of a century and a well rounded business man, possibly never during all that long tenure of service had anything to do with the buying or picking of the hundreds of fine Hereford bulls used on their range.

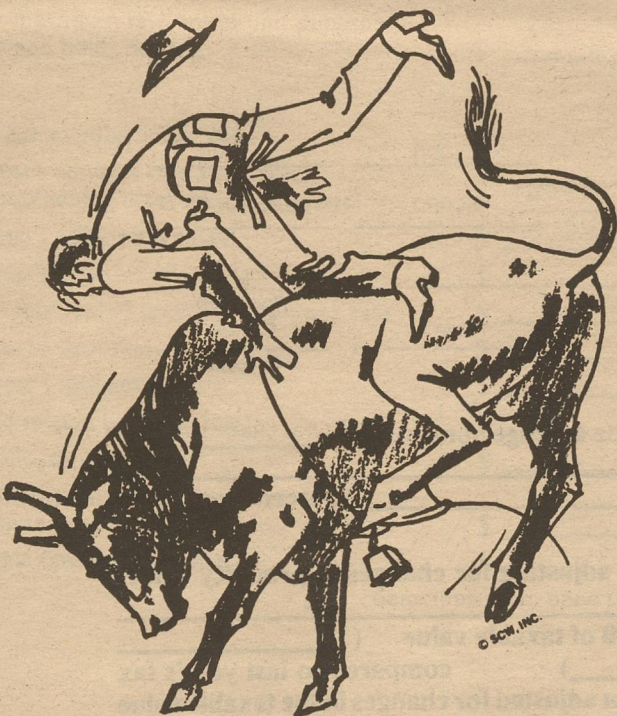
On one occasion at a northern show and sale, possibly Denver, Colorado, Ligertwood met an old friend who was in the market for a fine bull. He asked Ligertwood to pick him out a good one. Ligertwood said, "I can't pick a good one, but if you will go down in the Matador Range and get one of those Nesters, he can pick you out the best bull on the grounds. They are all good pickers."

The Matador had found a bit of trouble keeping Matador bulls out of the nester's and little rancher's pastures and cattle and never found anything there that was not of the best to be found on the range, so Ligertwood learned to respect their cattle judgment, even in preference to his own. Many a little man who had too few dollars to buy himself a good herd bull was able to breed a fine bunch of cattle by using selection in choosing Matador bulls. For that matter, it was good economy on the part of the Matador Company to furnish little men in their range with bulls rather than have inferior bulls, the sort the nesters could buy, mixing up their cattle.

John M. Jackson began his work for the Matador people in 1888 and fired himself in 1924, giving him a service of thirty-six years, less one season he worked for the Spur Ranch.

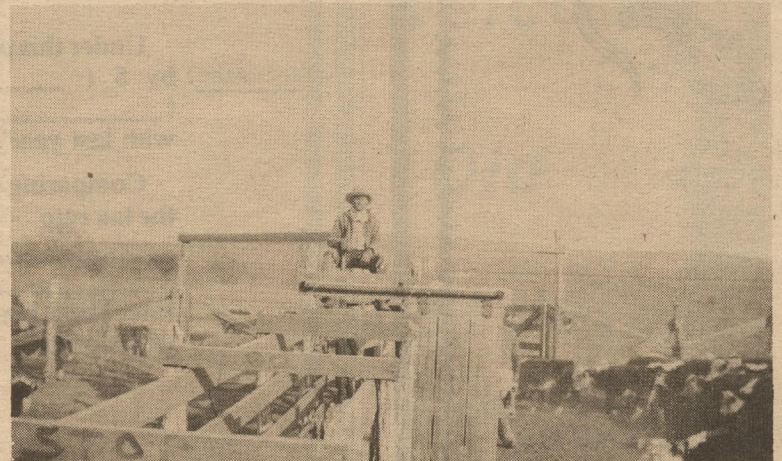
Jackson worked up from the bottom and ultimately became superintendent on the Matador. It was a job that kept the brain busy and tended to fleck the hair on your head with a hoary frost from worry. While Jackson was superintendent, he was just about THE MATADOR RANCH, for he didn't always follow orders from the higher-ups, not unless he thought it best for the Company's general good. If the range had short grass and too many cattle to winter without a bad die-up, Jackson requested grass to be leased and if it was not done, he leased it himself and moved cattle to it and told them to like it. John Jackson saved the life of many a good V cow that way and a live cow is looked upon as being a somewhat better asset than a dead one.

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D&S Factory Outlet

Roaring Springs



Skee Burkes working the gates at the loading pens at Russelville in 1928. Photo courtesy of Mrs. Reba Burkes.

I Call from the Gate to Where Rainbows Wait for Rain

An Autobiography and Family History

by Tom Sanders
in Collaboration with Walker Williams

THE BEGINNING

In the beginning I came into being in the Land of Nod, east of Eden, beneath the Southern Star, where birds of prey glided endlessly beside canyon walls, where serpents coiled upon warm rocks at sunset, where human beings earned only a few crumbs of bread from the sweat of their brow. One year later I began my life's pilgrimage by traveling north beside the yellow canyon walls, between the brown rocks and green covered hills near an old buffalo wallow flat. It was only a few miles from the edge of the plains, a region of rolling hills, deep grass, thick mesquite and cactus, flat-top mesas, cedar breaks, stark canyons, springs and waterfalls, rocky cliffs, grape vines in dry sandy creek beds, and endless patches of yellow, red, and purple wild flowers. It was snow country in the winter, desert country in the summer, sand storms and natural beauty in the spring and fall.

The sky knew no distance and no sensation but blueness. The beauty of this Eden could stop your heart. It was the Matador country.

This book is about the child upon whose shoulders I now stand. His longings I purged with great difficulty over the decades, but now I bring him back to languish forever where he flourished so long ago - in my own mind and heart.

I was born on a Sunday morning, July 27, 1930 in the hospital, at Spur, Texas where my father practiced law in partnership with his brother, Reagan. Spur was originally founded in the middle of the Spur Ranch, located in the Caprock strip that follows the edge of the plains in the southern panhandle. The population was about 2,000. The hospital never had more than one doctor and one nurse on duty at the same time. My father soon was convinced that the doctor was a drug addict. That and the fact that the nurse, who read books all the time, was too late to help with my birth, made him so angry he never paid the hospital or doctor bill. Instead, he considered a law suit, but realized it was unwise without witnesses willing to testify in court. Until her last days my mother was angry with my father because he did not pay the bill. So, I was never paid for, I came into this world free.

At various times when I was very young, I would get to ride out to some of the nearby ranches with uncle Tom and aunt Mabel Harris, uncle P.Y. and aunt Hattie Springer or uncle Bill (Walker Williams). I can still remember vividly a visit, with my mother, when I was four years old, to uncle Free and aunt Ethel Bird's ranch north of Midland, Texas, an all day drive from Matador. The next day we drove around for a look at the range and cattle. We didn't get back to the ranch house until long after dark. It was about sunset when aunt Ethel, sitting in the back seat, began to play her guitar and sing cowboy songs. I stood up in the front seat watching her, completely enchanted because I had never seen or heard anything like it before. She even sang some cowboy children's songs just for me.

Either that summer or the next one, grandpa, grandma, my mother, sister and I were invited to the Matador ranch chuckwagon for supper by uncle Bill, who was range boss at the time. The cook's fire was

in a hole in the ground, near some small cactus and rocks. The Dutch oven pots were hanging over the fire from what looked to me like a branding iron (but it wasn't) resting on two iron rods stuck in the ground. Bed rolls were scattered

among a few small mesquite bushes, for us to sit on. The chuckwagon was right there and the remuda (horse herd) was nearby. There were lots of cowboys with their hats tilted back, who rolled cigarettes after eating and drank a second or third cup of coffee while smoking. I was allowed only water to drink. The supper, as always, consisted of beef steak, slumgullion stew (a little bit of everything from a cow - and a horned toad if times were hard, I was told), sour dough biscuits, pinto beans and dried apricot stew. It probably was the tastiest supper

I've ever had in my life. Having supper after a hard day's work and unrolling a bedroll on the ground must have been the greatest part of a cowboy's life.

to be continued

For God sent not his son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

John 3:16-17

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C.D. & Daisy Bird's children. Photo courtesy of Barbara Bird Jameson.

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remain for some length of time, and I think about August we will move out to the hills and rest for a month and in september will go down towards New Orleans. We are all waiting with breathless anxiety the result of the contest in front of Richmond. If we beat them there, it certainly will have a great effect on their Presidential election which comes off next November, but if they succeed in taking Richmond the war will be prolonged probabaly for years. our whole concenus has full confidence in the ability of Genl. Lee.

In you letter which you sent by Frank Jones, you stated that Mr. Grimes was gathering up the cattle for you. I feel thankful to him for assisting you and hope that you may ever find friends to do that for you which you can not do yourself. I think it is best to let Mr. Grimes keep all the cattle fenced at his house except such as you need for milk, the cows would be more likely to hcatter if they were moved out of their old range. I want you to remind Mr. Grimes to mark the pigs for me, though I know he will not forget it or refuse to do it.

I want you to enquire of _____ Middleton whether he can bring my linsy pants back for me, which I left at home, and if he can bring them, I want you to send them by him, as my new pr of pants was left up at Weschi(?) and it may be some time before we will get our clothing which was stored up there. I have nothing more to write, be sure to send me a letter by Middleton whence he comes back, and every other good opportunity you have.

I send you some paper by Middleton. Give my repects to all the relations and to all enquiring friends and accept a double portion for yourself. Your devoted husband.

Thos. J. Shields

[For these family letters we thank Mrs. Wayne Hunter, a descendant of T.J. Shields, 1833-1915, a Civil War Veteran who is buried in Dickens County]

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Roaring Springs

Confederate Soldiers

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our minnies did.

We were relieved about 12 o'clock that night, marched to the foot of the mountain to Missionary Ridge, slept three or four hours, got breakfast, and marched up the ridge to the Georgia Tunnell where Genl. Sherman's Division attacked our line soon after we got into position. And fought us charging our position repeatedly till about five o'clock P.M. when they drew off and our line was formed in a hollow square to guard against Cavalry. Our center had given way and Genl. Bragg was retreating. And our Brigade was held as rear guard.

We moved off about dark, arriving at the River, finding the bridge burnt. And our men fording the river which was about three feet deep, and ice forming on each bank. It was surely cold. I think that this was the Chicamunga River; and about mid night.

I was taken with Pneumonia and left at a private house. I was near dead, too sick to be moved. When the Spring Campaign opened, Brigade Surgeon and Genl. Petrus visited me and advised me to resign, that I would never be able for active duty again. I was 2nd Lieutenant of my company.

There was little hope for my recovery. I resigned and was sent to Atlanta, Georgia, with the Sick & wounded. I remained in Atlanta till the Spring Campaign opened and our army was falling back. I was sent to Montgomery, Alabama, where I remained till about the 1st of June, improving slowly.

I proceeded on to my home near Tuscaloosa, Alabama. I continued to improve slowly. Being annoyed by the Conscript officers He wanted to send me to the Conscript camp. I objected, but proposed to go to my old co. as a Private. He objected, so I slipped off to Selma and was detailed on Post Duty in Comisary Department where I remained till December 22.

My father wrote to me Capt. Slaughter (the Conscript officer) was hunting for me. There were quite a few of Genl. Forrest's men there for the winter, and some of them were staying with him, and it would be best for me to come home and enlist with them. I enlisted joining Capt.

Pages Co. of the 15 & 16 Kentucky Cavalry, commanded by Col. Chinnaworth who were at my Father's - who said they would protect me from Capt. Slaughter. So when Capt. Slaughter arrested me Capt. Page arrested him, and sent him to Montgomery and sent to his command.

I was in active service again, and when the spring campaign opened up, Genl. Forrest got on Genl. Willsons raid and headed him off south of Huntsville, Alabama. Lyons Kentucky Brigade attacked them at the 13 Mile Creek near Centerville, Alabama, I was captured. Again a prisoner. Just a day before Genl. Lee's surrender, was taken on to Montgomery, Alabama, and on towards Tuskeega, Alabama. I was paroled near Tuskeega several days after being captured.

This is my army record as near as I can remember it. As I stated I am shy on dates.

As stated in questionnaire regarding Income, will state that I have control of Dan'l Cribbs estate of 172.6 acres (150 acres in cultivation, 22 acres in pasture) & lots, a 4 room House & yard, also well.

This tract of land I deeded to my son December 23, 1916, reserving rental during my life. My son [having contracted "Copper Flue" or consumption while mining in Arizona] died on March 11, 1918. I still control this land under this clause, but rents don't amount to much after Taxes, and general running expenses are paid.

I have no other income, am past ninety years old. I get about pretty well, and love to go to the U.V.C. Annual reunions and see the Dear old Boys in Gray, and have a good time with them. It makes me feel young again, if not so spry. I sure enjoy myself with them. Of course I don't expect to live much longer, but surely would like to have a little more money than I control to let me feel a little more independent. Therefore I pray you, if this is consistent with your views, please pass favorable on my application and oblige.

Yours Truly, P.A. Cribbs

[This letter is on file at the Texas State Archives and Motley Co. Historical Commission.]

And now abideth faith, hope and love. These three, but the greatest of these is love.

1 Cor. 13:13

The Cowboy's Psalm by The Rev. Dr. David E Mason

My Lord and I, we rode the range together.

We talked of life here and in the hereafter...

of the great City of God, its gates of pearl

and its streets of gold...

but I had never felt at home in crowded cities.

My Lord then told me of His cattle upon a thousand hills,

of His grass that was ever green, of tanks that were always full,

of cattle that never bogged, and horses that were never lame,

and I knew that was heaven for me.

My Lord and I, we rode the range together.

My Lord is my comrade, He has always ridden beside me.

Even when I strayed into the thicket, He was ever within earshot,

answering my cry for help.

Yea, when the lightning flashed, ere the outlaws beset me,

when the cattle stampeded, or the rattlesnakes struck,

He bore me up on a mighty stallion and brought me

safe to the homestead.

The love of the Lord cannot be fenced in.

The Grace of God ever nourished me.

And when in the midst of mine enemies, He cut me out from among them,

and set me upon a high place, for I bore His own brand.

When I kept silent before Him,

He understood my every sign and thought.

No matter how far I strayed, no matter how dark the night,

He would enfold me in His protecting arms.

We have ridden through life together, and as evening sunset came,

The coyotes howl our lullaby, He opened wide His gates,

and we rode home together.

In Memory of the Pioneers.....

*We salute you for the
Courage of your great
hearts which led to the
conquest of this great
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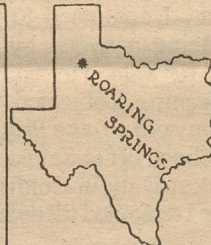
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"Where Nature smiles twelve months every year"



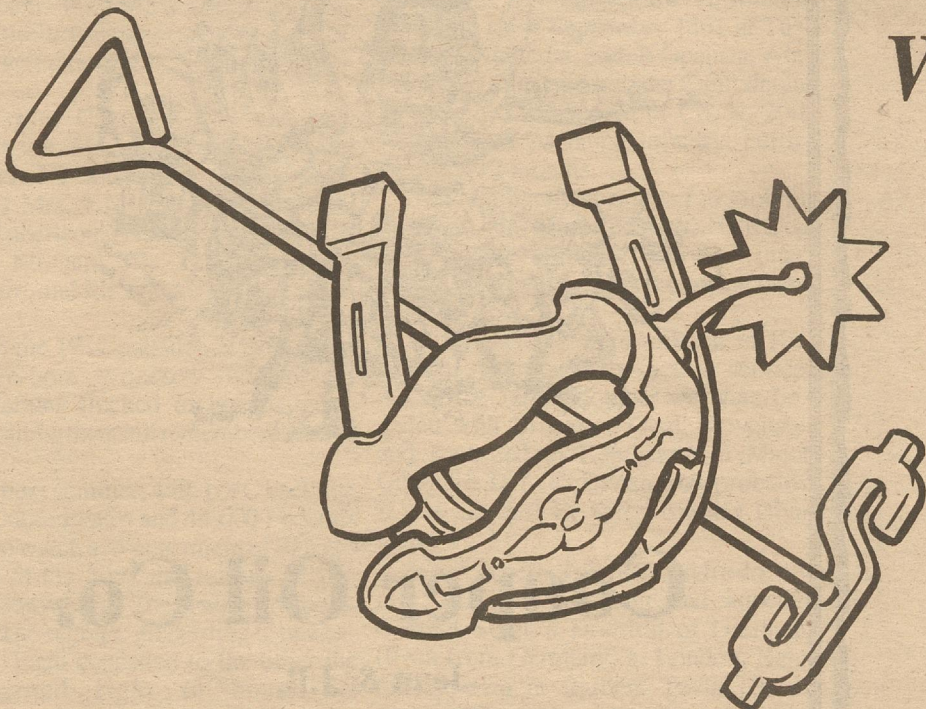
THE FAMOUS ROARING SPRINGS

ONE of the natural springs in the Roaring Springs Country. The flow is never diminished, and it is estimated that this spring delivers water at the rate of one thousand gallons per minute and is practically pure. A number of springs can be found in this community.



Address All Communications to **HENRY BLACK, Agent, Roaring Springs, Texas**

The above is a copy of the cover of a pamphlet, compiled by Henry Black, Agent, Roaring Springs, in the early days of Roaring Springs, when the town was beginning to grow, as a way to promote progress and entice people to the little town. The pamphlet is full of descriptions of the town, it even has lists of train routes to Roaring Springs from Fort Worth, Quanah, Paducah, Oklahoma City, Chickasha, Oklahoma, Lawton, Oklahoma, St. Louis, Missouri, and Kansas City. It is full of pictures of lush crops and buildings including the Hotel and the Depot, which still stand. 60,000 acres of land was offered for sale with small or large tracts for sale at \$5.00 cash per acre and the balance payable in ten equal payments with interest at 8%. The pamphlet made Roaring Springs seem the idea place to live and raise a family.



Welcome

To

Old

Settlers

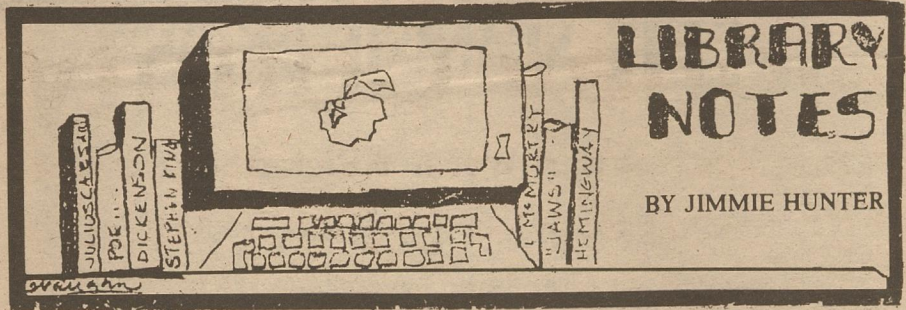
Billie Dean's Restaurant & Motel

Matador, Tx

Summer Jobs



Margie Guerrero, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Guerrero has been working this summer at the Motley County Library. Margie is a senior at Motley County High School this year.



Welcome, Old Settlers! - and young ones, too. If rodeoing and dancing wear you out, come into the cool, comfortable Library where you can enjoy the mural, buy Marisue Potts' The Motley County Library Mural History Book, or Joe Taylor's "Mural Sketchbook," read the article, "Girls With Grit" about members of the Cowgirl Hall of Fame that has a nice paragraph about Motley County's own Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton from our copy of August "Texas Highways", or wander on back to the Genealogy Department and look over the new additions, TENNESSEE COUSINS, or material on William Junius Mottley.

The material on William Junius Mottley was researched by Richard Motley Hutchinson, Jr. of Winston Salem, NC and presented to the Library by Larry Hoyle, Saturday, August 12, as a memorial to his mother, Virginia Edmondson Hoyle. Virginia had located Mr. Hutchinson, and corresponded with him about the research on Dr. Junius William Mottley, for whom our County was named. When the material arrived after Virginia's death with Richard's apology for taking so long with the research, Larry turned it over to Marguerite Edwards, who had

shared Virginia's love for genealogy. Mrs. Edwards was responsible for receiving the material and having it bound and prepared for the Library. Many thanks to the Hoyle family and the Edwards family for the valuable addition to our Genealogy Material. We have always been a bit embarrassed at the thought that we had misspelled Mottley when we named our county after Dr. Mottley, but Larry pointed out when he presented the book to Marisue for the library that perhaps it was Junius who had misspelled the name as all his descendants only use one "l".

Please sign our guest book when you drop in. I promise to have a long overdue list of out of town visitors in next weeks column.

New Library Cards are: Stephanie Ann Applegate, Gloria Applegate, Amy Applegate, Rodney Jay Collinsworth, Jermaine Hendrix, Sheldon Ashley.

Our thanks to Clay Jameson for bringing in a number of back issues of Texas Highways magazines. The September issue has a beautiful picture of the Alamo on the front cover and features Travel Texas History divided into The East Region, The Central Region, and The West Region.

In The Rough

by Hazel Donovan



2 GUYS AND 1 GAL TOURNAMENT

Saturday and Sunday, August 19 and 20, play was at Springs Ranch.

In Championship flight:

First place, Van Francis, Alfred and Louise Barton, 119 (60-59)

Second place, Rooster and Tanya Railbolt, Glenn Williams, 120 (60-60)

Third place, John Smith, Evert Gouldin, Jane Bonurant, 122 (61-61).

Other teams, Jeff Thacker, Johnny Thacker, LaVoe Thacker; Mike Muniz, Debra Finley, John Howerton; Vernie Moore, Donna Barton, Buttons Beedy; Danny Monroe, Larry Burkes, Vida Elkins.

First Flight: Winner, Alan and Kay Bingham, Gerald Pipkin, 129 (65-64);

Second place, Jake Goodson, Geneva Wilson, Tom Stokes, 135 (67-65); Third place, (a tie), Won on first hole on card, Joe and Loys Campbell, Howard Edmondson 133 (68-65); Roy and Dortha Grundy, Al Ramsey 133 (68-65) other teams Wade and Nell Berryman, Billy Denison; Kenneth Marshall, Mark Wason, Mary Lou Grundy.

Second Flight: First place James and Frances Moss, Randy Moss 139 (70-69); Second place, Bill and June Cartwright, Bill Cartwright 140 (71-69); third, Butch and Judy Renfro, Ronnie Davis 144 (71-73) other teams: Steve Burns, Margaret Barnhill, Billy Wilson, Terry and Debbie Adcock, Mike Marshall; Randy Barton, Larry and Diedra Clifton.

Closest to the pin #3 Saturday Billy Denison 3'4"; Sunday, Jeff Thacker 11'. Golfers enjoyed a hamburger supper on Saturday evening.

When words are many, sin is not absent, but he who holds his tongue is wise. Proverbs 10:19

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Senior Citizens Report

by Iris Blevins

Monday the bus went to Lubbock with several people riding, as usual, there were Doctor's appointments. Thursday the bus went to Plainview with seven people riding and the bus had problems. Mary Ann had to call for another bus to get the people back home. The Bus is to be repaired by Monday. If it is fixed, it will make its regular run to Plainview, Thursday. The fourth Tuesday is our regular luncheon day, so make plans to come and eat lunch and play 84, 42 or dominoes in the afternoon.

We are very happy that Pat Seigler is back in business in Matador and Pat we invite you and your staff to the Senior citizens luncheons each second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. We have a table loaded with the best food. And we don't charge anyone. We do take donations to take care of coffee, tea, and paper articles. We have no set amount. We are saying, "Welcome Home" Pat.

We always look forward to Friday evening. It is an evening of games and fun and fellowship. Norabelle is always there with the doors open at 2:00 p.m., so come and join us.

We will be closed August 28, 29 & 30 for repairs

Welcome Old Settlers

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Hours: Monday - Sunday, 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Motley County School News

FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS

The Motley County Independent School District this week announced its policy for free and reduced price meals for children unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program. Each school and the office of the Superintendent has a copy of the policy, which may be received by any interested party.

Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office. The information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials.

For the school officials to determine eligibility, the household must provide the following information listed on the application: Names of all household members; Social Security numbers of all adult household members or a statement that the household member does not possess one; Total household income or the household's food stamp case number if they currently receive food stamps; signature of an adult household member certifying that the information provided is correct.

Applications may be submitted at anytime during the year.

Under the provisions of the free and reduced price policy, Ronald Cummings, Superintendent, will review applications

and determine eligibility. Parents of guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal may make a request either orally or in writing to Mr. Ronald W. Cummings, Drawer 310, Matador, Texas 79244, for a hearing on the decision.

Households are required to report increases in household income of over \$50 per month or \$600 per year and decreases in household size. Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for reduced price meals or for free meals.

In certain cases foster children are also eligible for school meal benefits. If a household has foster children living with them and wishes to apply for them, the household should contact the school for more information.

The information provided by the household is confidential and will be used only for purposes of determining eligibility and verifying data.

In the operation of child feeding programs administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, sex, national origin, age or handicap. If any member of a household believes they have been discriminated against, they should write immediately to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

Family Size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$11,063	\$ 922	\$213
2	14,837	1,237	286
3	18,611	1,551	358
4	22,385	1,866	431
5	26,159	2,180	504
6	29,933	2,495	576
7	33,707	2,809	649
8	37,481	3,124	721
Each Additional Family Member	\$ 3,774	\$ 315	\$ 73

Lunchroom Prices For Motley County Independent School District 1989-90

Lunch Prices: Students (Grades K - 6) - \$1.00
 Grades 7-12 - \$1.25
 Teachers - \$1.50
 Others - \$3.00
 Reduced Prices, all grades - .40¢

Breakfast Prices: Students (grades K-6) - .75¢
 Grades 7-12 - .75¢
 Teachers - \$1.00
 Others - \$2.00
 Reduced Prices, all grades - .30¢

Extra Milk: Students - .20¢
 Adults - .20¢

Proposed Tax Rate Decision

The Motley County ISD Board of Trustees met August 16 for a called meeting to decide on the proposed Tax Rate of 1989.

After lengthy discussion and several options examined. The Board elected to

propose \$.79 (the same as last year) for 1989, 4-1. James Palmer and L.J. Barkley Jr. were absent.

Due to property evaluation changes in Motley County this year, there will be a public hearing before the rate can be set.

School Supplies

(REVISED LIST)

KINDERGARTEN: Scissors, 2-#2 Pencils, 1st. Grade Tablet, Pink Eraser, Large Elmers Glue, 2 Boxes Kleenex, Pkg. Asst. & White Construction Paper, Water Colors, School Box, Box 8 Crayons. Please put name on all supplies.

FIRST GRADE: Scissors, 2-1st. Grade Tablets, 2-#2 Pencils, Pink Eraser, Glue, Pkg. White & Asst. Construction Paper, Box Small Crayons, 2 Boxes Kleenex, School Box, Water Colors, School Bag (Optional).

SECOND GRADE: School Bag, Spiral Notebook, Glue, Scissors, Crayons, 24 or more, Water Colors, 2-#2 Pencils, 2 Erasers, Asst. Construction Paper, 2 White Construction Paper, Kleenex, School Box, 1 Small Can Playdough.

THIRD GRADE: Coiled Index Cards 5x8, 2 Red Pens, 2-#2 Pencils, Pink Eraser, Scissors, Notebook Paper - Wide, School Box, Glue, 2 Spiral Notebooks, Crayons, Cursive Tablet, Kleenex Flat Box, Folder with pockets and brads, Construction paper, Box White Chalk.

FOURTH GRADE: 2-#2 Pencils, Pink Eraser, Notebook Paper, School Box, 8 oz. Glue, Crayons - 24 or more, Water Colors, 6" Ruler, Kleenex - 500 Ct., Coat Hanger, 2 Blue Ballpoints, Scissors, Binder.

FIFTH GRADE: Construction Paper, Wm. Notebook Paper, Book Carrier (Optional), Pencil Box, Ruler, 2-#2 Pencils, 2 Red Pens/Pencils, Crayons, Scissors, Glue Stick, Pink Eraser, Binder, Blue Ink Pen, 100 Ct. College Spiral, Map Colors (Optional), 2 Kleenex, 70 ct. Spiral, 2 Folders with pockets and brads.

SIXTH GRADE: 3x5 Index Cards, #2 Pencils, Map Colors, Blue/Black Pen, Red Pen/Pencil, 5 Subject Notebook, 3 Folders with pockets and brads, Notebook Paper WM, Pink Eraser.

Gray, Orange Wedges, Milk.

LUNCH: Chili/Mac., Pinto Beans, Onion, Spinach, Pickle, Corn Bread, Lemon Pudding.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1989

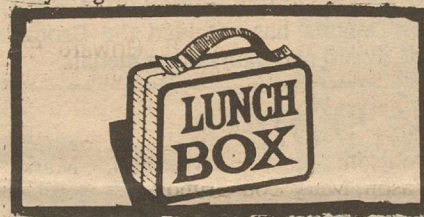
BREAKFAST: Oatmeal, Buttered Toast, Juice.

LUNCH: Steak, Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Garden Salad, Hot Rolls, Honey, Chilled Pineapple.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1989

BREAKFAST: Biscuits, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Fruit.

LUNCH: Hamburgers, Tomatoes, Lettuce, Onion, Pickle, French Fries, Chocolate Brownies.



MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 1989

BREAKFAST: Cinnamon Rolls, Apple-sauce, Milk.

LUNCH: Chicken Tacos, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Rice Salad, Apple Cobbler.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 1989

BREAKFAST: Cereal, Buttered Toast, Juice, Milk.

LUNCH: Baked Ham, AuGratin Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Honey, Gelatin.

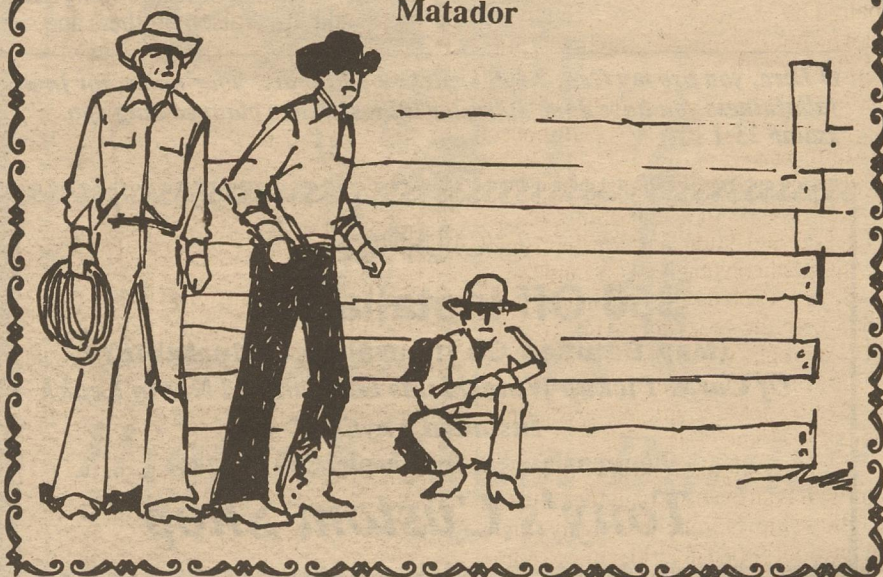
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 1989

BREAKFAST: Biscuits, Jelly, Bacon,

Welcome Home Old Settlers

PAY-N-SAVE

Matador



Society News



Lynda Fogerson Receives Public Affairs Education Award

Briscoe County Extension agent Lynda Fogerson, daughter of Bailey Elliott of Matador and the late Ted Elliott, was recognized at the annual meeting of the Texas Association of Extension Home Economists in San Antonio August 2-4. Theme for the conference was "Setting the Pace for the 21st Century."

Mrs. Fogerson received the Public Affairs Education Award for leadership development programs conducted through the Family Community Leadership project during 1987-89. The programs were designed to increase citizen awareness of the need for strong community leadership, provide training to existing leaders to improve their leadership skills, and develop a sense of confidence

for citizen involvement in all areas of city and county government, community organizations, schools, and churches.

Nine programs, including trainings for community leaders and clubs, two Citizens Forum for county city and school candidates, and a "You Can Do It!" seminar targeted to women reached 186 community leaders and citizens.

Mrs. Fogerson has served Briscoe County as County Extension agent since 1978. She is a graduate of Matador High School and received a B.S. degree in home economics education from Texas Tech University and M.Ed degree in agricultural education from Texas A&M University.

Roaring Springs Man Awarded Purple Heart Years After Serving in World War II

Mr. John Deptula of Roaring Springs has recently received the Purple Heart award from the President of the United States for wounds received in action in

Heilbronn, Germany on April 8, 1945. In addition to the Purple Heart, Mr. Deptula has received the Bronze Star award and many other medals.

Thank You

Thank you for every act of kindness shown to us after the death of my beloved mother, Lizzie Archer. We deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness.

The Leo Archer family

We would like to express our thanks for the food, calls, cards, visits, and concern during the illness and loss of our loved one, Carlos.

Clower family
Foy Moore family

We appreciate all the care and concern shown to our father, Carlos Clower, during his illness, by family and friends in Matador. A special thank you goes to Mrs. Armantha Martin for her excellent bedside manner and for being available each and everytime we needed her. Also, we want to thank all who provided food and the ladies who served lunch.

Don Clower and family
Barbara Donnell and family

Thank you to everyone that sent food to the church and to our home, the beautiful flowers and the help you all gave to us during the loss of our loved one. We love you all.

Dora and Jimmy's family
and the Watson brothers and sisters

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done marvelous things, things planned long ago.
Isaiah 25:1

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Letter To The Editor

To the Editor:

After learning that our area has a lot of heros from the 1st, 2nd., Vietnam and Korean wars, I do think I must write a note on one other decorated veterans, who holds 4 bronze stars, purple heart, and 3 battle stars and many other medals

out of combat or in combat. I am also grateful to be living in the area of all these veterans that our country honors on holidays named for them living and deceased heroes of this great country of ours. The United States of America.

Mrs. Fern Deptula

Norton Dye to Speak At Church of Christ

Norton Dye, Church of Christ Minister will fill the pulpit of the Church of Christ in Matador Sunday morning and evening of August 27. The public is invited to come and hear Bro. Dye speak.

Norton is a native of Roaring Springs

and he is the oldest son of Mrs. Minnie Dye of Roaring Springs and the late Mr. Alford Dye.

Time of service is 10:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Come and worship the Lord with us.

Missions and Conditions in China will be described by Lackey's



June and Grady Lackey to Lubbock (at right) with two friends while in China as teachers at Yangzhou Teachers' College. The friends are Daniel and Grace Deng. He is pianist in Yantzhou church. They are both children of ministers and their son, Peter is a Nanjing siminary graduate and a ministerial intern at the church. Mr. and Mrs. Lackey will speak here Sunday evening at the 7 o'clock worship hour and will describe their work, both as teachers and in volunteer missions during their two years in China.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Lackey of Lubbock will describe missions and conditions in China when they speak here Sunday evening at the First Baptist Church. For the past two years they taught English in the Foreign Language Department at Yangzhou while serving as Mission Service Volunteers for the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. They were in Yangzhou at the beginning of the Beijing uprising and during the bloody crackdown on the student democracy movement in Tiananmen

Square. Their two-year assignment with the Cooperative Services International was cut short by about two weeks when the U.S. State Department advised them to leave China. "However, we never felt any danger in Yangzhou," they said.

"I hope you will make plans to be in attendance Sunday night and hear the compelling testimonies of these two servants of God," said Rev. Stacy Conner, church pastor to his congregation and in extending an invitation to the public.



First Assembly Of God Church

REV. EDNA DILLARD

Roaring Springs, Texas

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Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever

(Hebrews 13:8)

Church, 11:00 a.m. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Sunday Night, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

Missionettes for girls

Royal Rangers for boys

Obituaries

RAY PERRYMAN

Services for Ray Perryman, 45, of Matador were held at 2 p.m. Friday, August 18 in the Afton Baptist Church with Billy Joe Whitaker, minister from Roaring Springs, officiating.

The Rev. O.L. DeWees assisted.

Burial was in Afton Cemetery under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home.

He died Tuesday evening at his residence. Motley County Judge Bill Whitaker is withholding a ruling pending autopsy results.

He was born in Afton and was a long-time Matador resident. He formerly owned Matador Hardware and was a self-

employed television repairman. He married Linda Parks. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Darryl of Canyon and Darryn of Matador; a daughter, Cathey Perryman of Matador; his mother, Clemmie Perryman of Plainview; three brothers, Elvis of Afton, Dean of Sour Lake and Delbert of Roaring Springs; and a sister, Dortha Whitefield of Matador.

Serving as Pallbearers were Larry Clifton, Mike Smith, Bob Smith, Jimmy Wheelless, Bill Moose, and John Redding.

CARLOS CLOWER

Graveside services for Carlos Clower, 82, of Matador were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, August 20 in East Mound Cemetery with Billy Whitaker, minister of Roaring Springs Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial was under direction of Seigler Funeral Home.

He died shortly after noon Friday, August 18 at his residence after a lengthy illness. Justice of the Peace Jewell Gibbs of Paducah ruled natural causes in the death.

Clower was born in 1907 at McDonald

Camp near Matador and was a retired cowboy. He had worked at the Matador, 6666 and Pitchfork ranches.

Survivors include a son, Don of Henderson; a daughter, Barbara Donell of Azle; two brothers, Jim and J.W. Jr., both of Matador; a sister, Bertha Moore of Matador; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were great nephews, Darrell Moore, David Moore, James Stephens, Kyle Moore, Chad Stephens, Bart Bynum.

L.E. "SHORTY" MARSHALL

Funeral services for Lawrence Edgar "Shorty" Marshall, 84, were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, August 19 in Ninth and Columbia Street Church of Christ in Plainview with Dean Brookshire, associate minister, officiating. Burial was in Plainview Memorial Park by Lemons Funeral Home.

Mr. Marshall died at 1:45 p.m. Thursday, August 17, 1989, in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital.

He was born April 11, 1905 in Matador. He grew up in Motley County and attended Tee Pee Flat schools. He married Ella Farris Feb. 19, 1926 in Roaring Springs. She died Nov. 28, 1985 in Plain-

view.

He moved to Plainview in 1932 and operated Marshall and Sons car lot from 1946-1982 when he went to work for Bruce Wheeler Motor Company. He retired in 1987 and moved to Lubbock where he made his home with his daughter. He was a member of Ninth and Columbia Church of Christ.

Survivors include a daughter, Louise Haynes of Lubbock; a son, L.C. "Curt" of Plainview; a sister-in-law, Annie Marshall of Lubbock; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

DURA CHALK RAMSEY

Dura Chalk Ramsey died Saturday, August 19, 1989 in Dallas at the age of 85. She was a daughter of a pioneer early day family, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Chalk, who moved to Motley County in 1888. They were parents of seven children: Victor, Allie (Mrs. Roy Burleson), Wal-

ter, Selbia, (Mrs. T.M. Cullum, Jr.), Verne (Mrs. Russell), Marie (Mrs. Frank R. Ramsey).

Dura is survived by a sister, Marie Ramsey and a number of nieces and nephews.

The Lord is with you when you are with him. If you seek him, he will be found by you, but if you forsake Him, He will forsake you. 2 Chronicles 15:2b

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Welcome Home
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Dickens

Picture This

by H. Soltwisch

My minds eyeview of a "cowboy"
Doesn't include boots and chaps after all,
But my minds eyeview is of Jesus
Who rides "herd" ever since the fall.

Not with six-shooters, rope or spurs
'Or a "Ki-yi-yi, Whoop-ti-do,"
But God, by His gentle, Holy Spirit
In Watching over you.

He is always by the campfire
He is also on the range,
And to those who have Him in their hearts
His mercy is never strange

Now God never measures to us
The things we so richly deserve
But He heaps on us compassion
Never holding His love in reserve.

So whether we ride the range in a pick-up
Or tall in the saddle we sit,
Or whether we've bolted like Mustangs,
When needed, God gives the "grit."

So, Mommas, don't let your cowboys
Grow up to be babies,
Instill Jesus and independence in them,
For they are a good breed that happen to need
The choice to ride, walk, fly, sink or swim!

God loves cowboys, too!

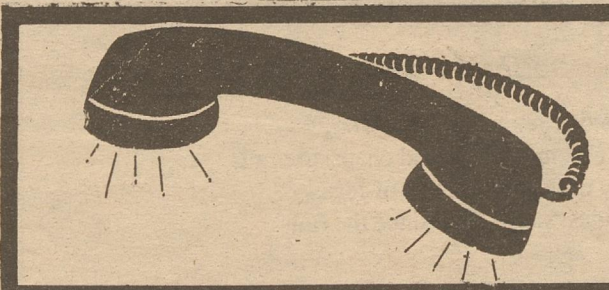
Lordy, Lordy
Look Who's
"40"

With Love,
Mother, Raymond,
Linda & Melissa

Welcome
To Roaring Springs

Have a jewel of a time!

Thacker
Jewelry
Roaring Springs



County Chit-Chat

Roaring Springs News

By Odessa Mullins

Mr. W.H. Marshall attended funeral services for his uncle L.E. (Lawrence) Marshall in Plainview Saturday. The late Lawrence Marshall was a longtime Tepee Flat resident.

Miss Lula Swim was a Vernon visitor Thursday; she was met there by her uncle and wife Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swim of Wichita Falls for a visit.

Mrs. B.L. Peacock took her granddaughter Michelle Peacock to her Amarillo home Thursday after a few days visit here. Mrs. Peacock visited overnight with the Mike Peacocks.

Mrs. Lou Caffey was called to Lubbock Wednesday of last week as her mother Mrs. Clara Youngblood thought it best to move her to a more suitable Care Home for her condition. She was moved to University Manor.

Mr. and Mrs. D.A. Hinson were Lubbock visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Perla Wilson was the overnight guest of Miss Freda Keahey Wednesday of last week. She visited other friends here before returning home Thursday.

Miss Lula Swim kept a medical appointment in Plainview Tuesday of this week.

Rev. Buster Huggins of Plainview was guest speaker at First Baptist Church for both morning and evening services last Sunday in the absence of Pastor Rory Burge who is visiting his parents and other relatives in Samnorwood.

Mrs. Odessa Mullins drove Rev. Mrs. Edna Dillard to Lubbock Monday to see her Podiatrist. On their return they stopped for her to keep a dental appointment in Crosbyton.

Mrs. Odessa Mullins attended a SPAG meeting in Lubbock Tuesday of last week. She lunched with a sister-in-law Mrs. Lucy Mullins and had supper with another sister-in-law Mrs. Jessie Roller and spent the night with her, and lunched with Mrs. Billie Odell and her aunt, Mrs. Allie Lawrence at Crosbyton on her way home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hastings of Bovina were Saturday overnight guests of his sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Swim.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

GRANDSON WINS FIRST

Wilburn Martin enplaned to Houston, Saturday, August 12 to attend the Pepsi Swimming Meet. His grandson, Cole Martin, son of Dr. and Mrs. David Martin of Denton, was awarded first place in the medley swimming event.

NATALIE ROGERS HAS FIRST BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Rogers honored their daughter, Natalie on her first birthday with a party in their home, Saturday afternoon, August 19. She was presented gifts and blew out her candle on a beautiful cake featuring a Teddy Bear and colorful balloons and lollipops.

Refreshments of freezer ice cream, cake and iced tea were served. Special guests were her maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Franklin of Lindale and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers of Flomot.

Other guests attending the celebration were Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Pontius, Stephanie and Christine of Garland, Elmo Nall and Rosita Blackwell of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Degan, Shawna, Shay and Dane of Kalgary, Mrs. Todd Washington and Katie of Quitaque, Mrs. Ronnie Rogers, Mrs. Danny Speck and Mrs. Paul Roberts of Lubbock and Mrs. Roger Lee and Mrs. Joe Degan of Flomot.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hunter met son and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Hunter and Greg of Midland in Lubbock last Sunday at the home of daughter, Anita Hunter to visit. Greg returned home with them and visited until Wednesday when his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Carrie Dell Dickerson of Silverton came to accompany him home with her to visit. Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter last Monday evening besides Greg were Mrs. Holly Hendericks and daughters, Joanie and Jennie and Mr. and Mrs. John Speer of Floydada and their grandchildren, Kathy and Sammie Dunn of Tucumcari, N.M.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Starkey visited in Amarillo last weekend with daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Reid and T.C. and accompanied home their daughter, Christina who visited her the past week. They visited in Canyon with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Starkey and children before returning home. Visiting them this week are their grandsons, Warren and Michael Davis of Fritch.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones of Kansas City,

Kansas visited Friday with his aunt, Viola Stinson and Mary Ellen Barton.

Mr. and Mrs. D.M. "Ikie" Gilbert met daughter and children, Mrs. Leland (Judy) Heiskell, Lance and Christi in Amarillo last Sunday and Christi and Lance returned home with them and visited until Friday. They enjoyed the Water Slide in Plainview, Tuesday. Mrs. Heiskell enplaned to Dallas to attend a Home Ec. meeting.

Anita Hunter of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hunter were in Quitaque during the weekend to be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.G. Hunter. Mrs. Hunter is on the sick list.

Keith Cook of Lubbock is visiting in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert.

Mrs. Naomi Morris of Plainview and Mrs. Othella Bynum of Kress visited Mrs. Doris Morris, Monday.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers were Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Pontius and children of Garland, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Franklin of Lindale and Elmo Nall and Rosita Blackwell of Amarillo.

News Of Local Interest

HEART SURGERY

James "Tootie" Meador of Clifton, former resident of Motley County had heart surgery Tuesday, August 22 at Providence Health Care Center in Waco. With him during surgery was his wife, Dorothy and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Briscoe, who drove to Waco, Monday to be with him. The family appreciates the calls of concern. His home address is: Rt. 5, Box 583, Waco, Texas 76705.

Virginia Green and a friend Carri Young attended a Seminar at Ft. Worth. They were accompanied home by Adam and Katye Green, children of Andy and Gay Green of Keller to spend a few days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Green and Aunt Ginny. During the meanwhile, their grandparents and Aunt Ginny accompanied them home and attended Andy's graduation from N.Y.T.

Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Green and Ginny were accompanied home by Jordan Green, daughter of Tim and Karol Green of Austin.

Now visiting with Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Green is their granddaughter, Jodie Green, daughter of Tim and Karol Green of Austin.

A recent visitor of Mrs. Scott Robbins was a niece, Glenda Hart of Farmersville.

Mrs. Chloye Leslie and daughter, Mrs. Robert Morris (Karla) and small son, David of Lubbock were here Thursday, attending to business and visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E.D. Lawrence accompanied their grandson, Ronnie Ed, to meet his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Lawrence of Richardson, in Wichita Falls for his return home after spending two weeks here with his grandparents.

Mrs. Edgar Lee visited in Corsicana last week with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Joe January, and accompanied them to Dallas, where they visited the exhibit of Ramses the Great, believed by historians to be the ruler of Egypt during the time of Moses.

Whiteflat News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

As we grow older, our bodies get shorter and our anecdotes longer.

RESIDENTS MOVE

We are sorry to lose another young couple that was active in civic projects and programs in Motley County. Steve and Shalane Wesley moved from Whiteflat community to Jayton this weekend.

Steve was transferred to the Kent County Soil Conservation Service from the Motley County SCS. Shalane, who is with the Texas Dept. of Human Resources will be working in the Snyder District. She was employed by the H.R. of Floydada District this past year. We wish them the best.

RECENT GUESTS

Houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Barton from Thursday, August 10 to Thursday, August 17 was his sister, Mrs. Leora Scrivner of Alpine, California. Her daughter, Mrs. Harry (Loretta) Race of Dover, Arkansas was the

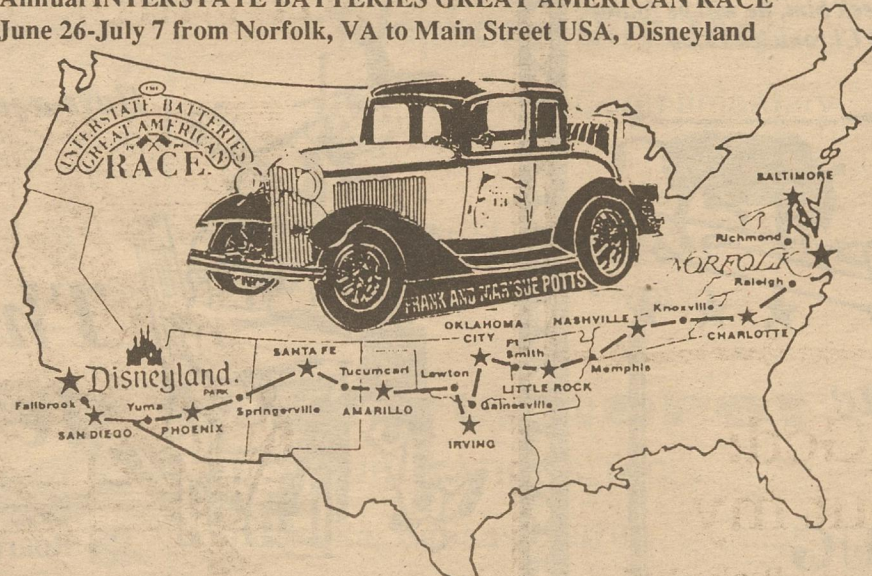
houseguest of her aunt and Mrs. Scrivner's sister, Mrs. Kathryn King in Matador, August 10 to 17. They also visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barton

Mrs. Scrivner, Mrs. Race and Mr. and Mrs. Barton attended the 90th birthday celebration of Mrs. Estel Turner in Lubbock, August 12. Mrs. Scrivner enplaned to Dover with Mrs. Race to visit before returning to her home in Alpine.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stephens visited from Friday until Tuesday of last week in Hutchinson, Kansas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Stuckey and sister, Mrs. Pat Rowell. They also visited in Lyon, Kansas with an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Van Pittman.

Mr. and Mrs. Shannon Jameson and children visited from Saturday until Tuesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.R. "Skeet" Jameson. They celebrated Shanna Lou's first birthday, Sunday.

Welcome Old Settlers!
The 7th Annual INTERSTATE BATTERIES GREAT AMERICAN RACE
Route June 26-July 7 from Norfolk, VA to Main Street USA, Disneyland



FRANK & MARISUE POTTS

God Loves You!

Old Settlers

by Dennis Gaines

The wind was her companion,
While her husband rode the canyons
Or chased a hard-tail up and down the rows.
The gentle, ageless grace
In her lined and weathered face
Tells the story of the life and love she chose.

Hardship, toil, and danger,
Even Death was not a stranger;
Yet the finest steel is tempered in the fire.
Frailty took her limbs,
Years have caused her eye to dim,
But the rose still shows its blossom through the briars.

God and family, hearth and home,
Where once dreams and troubles roamed.
Now her memories course the fenced and fertile fields.
And she sees the fresh young bride
With her winsome woman's pride,
And the night and man to whom her passions yield.

Yes, the Earth became her Mother,
And she then to many others;
Each begat the harvest of the kin.
Pangs of pain in beds of birth,
Joyful tears and cries of mirth,
From the fount of life where we must all begin.

And the walks with rusty hinges,
Where he lives now on the fringes
Of a world he tamed and gave to you and me.
Where once he reigned supreme
On a quarter-section dream,
Or a sea of grass where he was truly free.

With a bag of penny candy
In his pocket waiting handy,
For his children's children's babies, we are told.
The strongest tree is that which bends
As it nears life's winter's end.
Lord, but now he feels so very, very old!

Yet, once he and youth were brothers,
Riding proud with one another,
With their faces to the wind and swords at side.
Carved a trail through trackless waste,
Which we cross in reckless haste,
And never understand the old man's grief or pride.

For some cultivate the attitude
Of neither thanks nor gratitude.
Shame to them, for the good seed has been wasted.
Yet he smiles at those who love him,
Putting only God above him.
They are the sweetest fruit he's ever tasted.

Soon the grass will be his cover
And the wind will sigh above her,
And Mother Earth will take them to her breast.
Beneath the wagon wheels that turned,
To the womb they will return,
And lie beside the bravest and the best.

Wayward rows of silent stones
Standing guard on mouldered bones;
Smile, and shed a tear for those before us.
Friend, walk softly in the garden;
Perhaps you'll hear a pardon,
If you listen to the Settlers' ghostly chorus.

Preserve me, O God:
for in thee do I put my
trust.

Psalm 16:1



Clayton Bridge Cowboys and Show Colts, Old Settlers Reunion, 1946. From l-r: Robert Forbis of Afton, Jerry Green of Roaring Springs, and Don "Honk" Forbis of Afton. Photo courtesy of Patricia Green, College Station.



Many years of Pioneers: Jim Meador, H.E. Hamilton, Joe Meador, C.D. Bird, Rufe Moore. Photo courtesy of Mary Meason.

Welcome Old Settlers

66th Annual Old Settlers Reunion
Have Fun!

Matador Floral

